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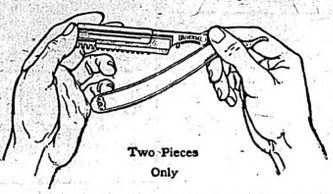

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The local members of the above Order held a very interesting and enthusiastic meeting, on Thursday evening of last week, in the I.O.O.F. hall, when they initiated what was probably the largest class of candidates that ever joined any local society at any one meeting, there being fifty-five candidates present to receive instruction in the mysteries of the Order. Chief Councillor Meeres presided in his usual happy style. After the close of the business meeting, the members proceeded to thoroughly enjoy themselves, the first item being an oyster supper, to which ample justice was done by all. The tables looked very tempting, and fairly groaned under the weight of good things provided by the lady members. Everyone being satisfied, C.C. Horace Meeres, as Master of Ceremonies, called the gathering to order, and the following programme was much enjoyed: The toast to "Our King" was honored in the usual form. "Our Province and the Town We Live in" was proposed by Friend Geo. White, who surprised all present by the flow of natural eloquence, and his remarks were thoroughly enjoyed. The response was made by Rev. R. Pearson, who gave one of his usual pleasing speeches, and which showed a large knowledge of the doings within the borders of town and province. "Our Order" was proposed by Chief Councillor Geo. Ingram of Edmonton Council No. 481, who was representing Edmonton Council at the meeting. His remarks were very encouraging to the local members. The response was made by Prov. Organizer J. H. Mallett, who gave a brief history of the Order and much good advice to local members. "Sister Societies" was proposed by Friend William Springbett, who proved himself to be some speaker. The response was made by J. A. Youmans, who gave a very humorous speech, which was much enjoyed. "The Ladies," proposed by Friend R. Gee, and responded to by Friend Dr. Gray, was honored by the singing of "They are Jolly Good Fellows," and the speeches were everything that could be desired, and it was clearly demonstrated that the ladies as active members in such a society are a great success.

Songs were given by Friends Anderson, R. Gee and Organizer Mallett. Friend Mrs. A. Fyfe also gave a very pleasing solo, while Friend Oscar McCune added a humorous recitation.

After the joining of hands, and the singing of Auld Lang Syne, the gathering broke up, with everyone present expressing hearty appreciation of the evening's programme.

Friend F. Michener was presented with a leather suit case as first prize given for securing new members, while Friend Geo. White was presented with a lounging robe as second prize.

The local Council has now a membership of over 140, and as the organizer was practically compelled to remain for the next meeting, he expects to see another large class present for initiation and will leave a membership of nearly 200. A committee has been appointed to purchase a complete outfit of dishes and everything necessary for convenience in holding social evenings.

WRESTLING MATCH FAKES EXPOSED.

A man named Sam Carlton comes forward with a statement that some of the wrestling matches held in the town recently were fakes. Carlton says that he was to wrestle Rydman in the Royal Theatre on Dec. 22nd Before the match it was arranged that Carlton should let Rydman have the first two falls, and should either win the next one or call it a draw. Carlton put up something like $150 dollars, and a Mr. Jackson also put up some money. It was arranged that Carlton and Rydman should halve all the proceeds of the gate money and stakes.

After the match, when Carlton came to claim his share, there was only seven or eight dollars gate money and Rydman said he only received $18 from town sports. Carlton is now about $150 out of pocket as he had to pay all the expenses of the match, hall fee and printing, etc. Jackson and Carlton afterwards went to Rydman's room and Jackson accused him of being crooked. Rydman threatened to thrown him down the stairs if he was not careful. It appears that unsuspecting men are enticed into these wrestling matches, and given an idea that they are going to make a big thing out of it, while all the time the greater part of the money has been pocketed by Rydman and his backers.

CURLING NOTES.

Two rinks go to the Innisfail bonspiel to-day, skipped by Harry Wallace and T. A. Gaetz.

Dr. Plaxton won the Red Deer Cup Monday night for the second time, defeating Hugh Clark in a close and exciting game by 10 to 5 points in the final. The rinks were L. J. Porter, Hugh Baird, A. G. McKenzie, Plaxton skip, and Dr. Gray, Rev. Wheeler, F. M. Hacking, H. Clark skip.

THE WEEK IN EDMONTON

(By our own Correspondent)

The past week in the Legislature has been by far the most interesting of the session from every standpoint. Early in the week the leader of the opposition rallied the Government because the railway correspondence, which was asked for on the 15th of December, had not been brought down to the House. In view of the weeks of delay, prevarication, procrastination, bluffing, etc., which took place in connection with the request made for the production of all correspondence in connection with the A. & G. W., under the old Liberal government, and the mutilation of the files when they were at last produced, there is ground for suspicion when any perfectly reasonable request for documents is made and there is unreasonable and unnecessary delay in the production of the required correspondence. Readers of the News will recall the fact that when Mr. Bennett asked for all letters, telegrams and other correspondence relative to the calling of the then Chief Justice, by the Lt. Governor, to the position of Premier, that the entire transaction, it was claimed, had taken place without the scratch of a pen. We would be justified in doubting this, if we should choose to do so. These great and important transactions do not usually take place without something in writing. If they do, then they ought not. There should be black and white evidence of all such important matters. Of course when a party is corrupt, and desires all its movements to be made without leaving the track of a rabbit's foot, this is the ideal way of conducting the highest business of the state.

In this connection it is worthy of note that the so called railway policy of the present Premier, which to date is said by several members of the Cabinet to be unknown even to them, has been all arranged by private conferences between the Premier and the company's representatives. Whether these conferences were held by night, "for fear of the Jews," or not, in some secret corner of the legislative buildings, or 'mid circling halos of havanna in some Winnipeg hotel, we do not know. Nothing is known, or, as the Premier says of another matter to which I will come presently, "only the good Lord knows."

The net result of the request of the opposition for all correspondence with the C.N.R., the C.N.W.R., G.T.P. and the C.P.R., relative to construction of new lines, is two letters only. One from Mr. George Bury, the Vice-President of the C.P.R., to the premier, asking for certain information with a view to the preparation of the C.P.R. programme of construction for the year, and stating that they are willing to build all necessary lines without government aid, and a reply, laconic and Siftonian to the last degree, to the effect that the letter had been received and would have consideration. There is not another communication whatever. The Premier states that he had an interview with Mr. Bury and asks us to believe that all is well. Some accredited authorities state that the C.P.R. were turned down cold in favor of the C. N. R., which is supposed to be about to receive all the advantage of the Premier's railway policy and the guarantee of its bonds, whereas the C.P.R. stands willing to build anywhere without a cent of government guarantee.

The budget was brought down on Thursday afternoon, with only one day's intimation that this would be done. When the Premier rose in his seat to present his statement, the ex-Premier rose also on a 'point of order and, in loud stentorian tones, asked whether it was right that the budget should be presented when the public accounts for the year 1911 had not been laid before the House. This has always been the custom and has everything to commend it. It is altogether unfair advantage for the Premier to prepare his budget from these very accounts, without first presenting them to the House so as to enable members to intelligently criticise the expenditure of public money. Of course the accounts were not ready, or more probably there was something to hide. The Speaker retired with the Clerk of the House to consider the point raised by Dr. Rutherford, and after about twenty minutes interval returned and announced that the point was not well taken. It had also been pointed out that the estimates had always been laid on the table in printed form two days before the budget, but in this case no estimates had been distributed. With the expenditures for the past year a secret, and the estimated revenue for the coming year also a secret, the Premier took the floor to present his annual budget. In a few minutes the debate was on, and while the Premier was talking, the pages stole softly through the House and the Press Gallery with copies of the printed estimates for the year. As is the rule with all Liberal governments in the history of this province, there was a surplus. The Premier stated that the country was to be congratulated on the splendid standing of its finances, and the

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Girls' Hockey Team

The young single ladies under twenty have formed a hockey team in Red Deer with the following officers: Captain, Miss Sadie Smith; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Olive Smith.

The line-up of these youthful amazons is as follows: Goal, Gertie Smith; point, Etta Smith; cover point, Myrtle Smith; rover, Gladys Rutherford; left wing, Ella Kee; right wing, O. Smith; centre, Sadie Smith.

The young ladies have challenged the ladies over twenty to play them a game on Tuesday evening, Feb. 6th, weather permitting. If the ladies decline to play, then the Bankers will be challenged. There is a lot of excitement ahead for those loving fast hockey, for no matter what happens there will be fun enough to last the spectators until next winter. We will strive to give two minute bulletins of the game. The young ladies have been challenged by the Edmonton ladies' hockey club to a game and they are anxious to raise money enough to visit the northern city, and they should therefore have a big crowd on the night of Feb. 6th.

LADIES vs. GENTLEMEN.

The hockey match Monday evening last between the ladies' hockey team and a team of gentlemen was hotly contested. Chappy was on the fence most of the time for being knocked into the fence and otherwise badly used up. Gibson and Seymour were also reclining on the fence, as the referee, Mrs. Lindsay, said somebody ought to suffer whenever a young lady fell down. Gibson, in goal, was invincible when he faced the puck, but when he was lured into looking over in the corner or overhead for it in a moment of frenzy, the young ladies would swoop round the corner and score a goal, much to his consternation. Miss O. Smith was a heavy rusher and made Chappy's life miserable for a time. Miss Cottingham, Miss Ebert, Sadie Smith and the other young ladies all played a good game, and defeated the gentlemen by 4 to 1 goals The teams were: Gentlemen—Gibson, Cunningham, Chapman, Seymour brothers and Bonnick. Ladies—Gertie, Sadie, Olive and Etta Smith, and Miss Cottingham, Miss Rutherford and Miss Ebert.

Mrs. Lindsay made a good referee, and Rev. R. Pearson acted as judge of play.

Penhold

Saturday was a big day in Penhold, for the hockey team of that place defeated the visiting team from the Red Deer High School by the score of 7-4 in a fast clean game. The rink was rather small, and the day being warm the ice was soft, and the light school boys were overcrowded by their heavy opponents. Red Deer started fast and bombarded the Penhold goal and soon put in two counters, which ended their scoring for the first half. After that Penhold got busy and crowded three through, leaving the score at half 3-2. After half Penhold kept up the scoring streak and put in two more. White, who was doing most of the shooting for Red Deer, here got another, and Doughty also slipped one in, but Penhold got two more before the close, making the score 7-4 in their favor. White put up the best game for the Red Deer boys, and Johnson and Trueman were strong on the Penhold side. The teams were:

Red Deer	Penhold
Edmunds	Trueman
Carswell	Henderson
Greene	Johnson
Doughty	McKenzie
Smith	L. Domoney
White	H. Domoney
Krause	Thompson

Brown was referee. The Penhold boys will play a return game at the Red Deer rink Thursday night.

Mr. McKenzie's new building is looming up and will be quite an addition to the town.

There is still some grain not threshed in this neighborhood, and threshing is going on slowly.

We hear rumors of a new school house for Penhold to cost six or eight thousand dollars. If we get the new building the consolidated system may be tried here, as there have already been meetings to discuss the system.

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No. 3	49c
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How Edward Boltie Got the Explanation of Madeleine's Change

Sexton Blake ran his eye over the young man who sat in an attitude of nervous excitement, with his long, thin hands gripping the arms of the client's chair.

"Just back from West Africa?" he remarked, to give his visitor a chance to calm down a little.

Edward Boltie nodded.

"My bronzed look, I suppose?" he remarked, rousing himself. "But it was a risky shot, Mr. Blake. Why not South Africa or Mexico—or anywhere where there is a good sun?"

Blake smiled, and pointed to a scar on Mr. Boltie's left hand.

"The West African spider," he said. "No other animal that I know of bites and leaves a little hole like that."

He lit a cigarette.

"You have had malarial fever, too—though not for some time," he added casually.

"Yes—a year ago was my last attack. But how do you know that?"

"Oh, come," said Blake, "that's easy! Surely everybody knows that malarial fever leaves a series of wrinkles on the victim's neck?"

"I had forgotten my wrinkles. You have sharp eyes, Mr. Blake."

"Part of my stock-in-trade, Mr. Boltie. But come—now you are a little calmer, what is it you wish to consult me about?"

"It's a somewhat unusual case, I am afraid; my doubt is whether, indeed, it is in your line," he answered.

"Let's hear it," said Blake. "It's a love affair, isn't it?"

Boltie sat up with a sudden surprised movement.

"Don't look so astonished," murmured Blake. "It is quite simple. I've been consulted so often, you see. A man who has been robbed, or is under a false suspicion, or wants to find out who murdered somebody, is upset in quite a different way from a man whose heart is aching for a woman."

"That is just the phrase, Mr. Blake. My heart is aching for a woman—for the dearest, prettiest, and yesterday I should have said the truest, woman in the world."

"Go on," said the detective. "Begin at the beginning."

"Three years I have been out there working for her—rubber, you know—and I've made my pile. I came home to marry her, and on the day I sailed I got her last letter—a loving, eager letter, telling me she was looking forward to the day of our wedding, just as I was. I wept over it out of sheer joy. Three years out there is rather a strain.

"That was the last I heard of her. During all the voyage I was consumed with impatience for it to end—my heart and my mind were full of her. People chipped me about being so keen on going home to be married that I wouldn't even play a game of deck billiards, but preferred to moon and stare ahead—looking out for the shores of old England, while they were still two thousand miles away. The captain called me his extra look-out, as a matter of fact, but I didn't care. I was so happy—so hungry to get to her, sir, Blake."

He paused, and Blake waited patiently for him to resume.

"The voyage ended at last, and there was a telegram waiting for me at the docks. That particular ship, by the way, had not got a wireless installation." He pulled a telegraph form from his pocket and handed it to the detective.

Blake read it:

"Sorry, cannot marry you. Will write if you will wire an address. Do not come to see me; and try to forgive me.—MADELEINE."

"You can imagine what a blow it was to me, Mr. Blake," he said simply. "I had been working for her out there for three years, and her last letter said—" He gulped, and the detective turned his eyes away."

"I didn't faint," he went on, "and I didn't wire. I couldn't accept my dismissal like that—so I just took a special train, and demanded an explanation. They tried to prevent me from entering," he added grimly, "but I would not be denied."

"Well?" said the detective.

"She was—she nearly fainted at the sight of me, but pulled herself together, and reproached me for coming. I demanded an explanation, and she said she had none to give. I asked her if all her love-letters had been lies—and she burst into tears. I inquired the name of the man she was going to marry, and she told me—Donald Brayshon. I asked her if she loved him, and she would not answer; I asked her if her love for me was dead, and she would not answer that either. All she would say was, 'Go—go—I cannot marry you! Oh, Edward, have mercy upon me, and go!'"

His hands were trembling, and there was fire in his eyes—the fire of a strong man's love.

"How could I go?" he cried harshly. "I distressed her—but how could I go? But I could get nothing out of her, Mr. Blake—nothing but the statement that she could not marry me, and that she was going to marry him.

"In the end it was she who went," he continued after another pause. "She ran out of the room—ran away from me. So I looked up Brayshon's address and went to him—and he would say nothing either. I didn't kill him, Mr. Blake—though I wanted to. I offered him money—all I had in the world. I accused him of having some hold over her, and tried to buy him off. But he laughed at me, and rang for his servant, and, together they put me out. I enjoyed that—yes, I enjoyed that; but they got me out in the end. And this morning I thought of you."

"What is it you expect me to do?" inquired Blake, who was keenly interested in the story. The telegram, the special train, the interview with the girl, and then the fierce altercation with the man, ending with a combat in which he shrewdly suspected that Brayshon had sustained considerable damage—in imagination Blake filled in all the details for himself.

"I want you to find out why she is going to marry him, that's all," said Boltie. "Find that out, and let me know."

"Look here," said Blake, "I'll do my best on one condition."

"Name it!"

"That whatever the reason may be, whatever the hold he may or may not have over her, you must pledge me your word of honor not to murder him!"

The two men's eyes met—the eyes of two strong, resolute men.

"There is my hand upon it," said Boltie, at last. "I accept your condition—but find out, and, if possible, prevent the sacrifice—I am sure he hasn't simply cut me out. If I thought that I would take my gruel like a man, but—"

"When is the marriage to take place?" inquired Blake.

"Next week," he groaned.

"I'll do my best for you," Blake promised.

II.

To find out why Madeleine was going to marry Brayshon, and, if she was doing it under compulsion, to discover some way of releasing her—that was briefly the task which Sexton Blake had undertaken, and the difficulties in his path caused the great man considerable uneasiness.

However, Blake was not a man to be easily daunted, and by evening he had established certain facts, at any rate, to his own satisfaction.

It was not to save a father or a brother from dishonor; it was not the usual story of a forgery or the staving off of an impending ruin that had caused Madeleine Meyton to jilt the man who loved her so devotedly at the last moment. Careful inquiry among the servants convinced Blake that all the family, servants included, were astonished at Madeleine's behavior, and considered that she had treated Edward Boltie very badly, and that nobody knew the girl's reasons.

Donald Blake learned on the following day, was a young man of twenty-seven, with a somewhat lurid past, a man of ungovernable temper, who had once been fined for assaulting a servant. He had plenty of money, and, apart from his one appearance at the police-court, there was nothing serious against him. All the same, he was not the sort of man one would have imagined a beautiful, sweet-natured girl like Madeleine to jilt her lover for the eleventh hour.

So far, in two days out of the seven before the date of the wedding Blake had drawn blank, and he sat up that night smoking pipe after pipe in a vain endeavor to solve the problem of what the man's hold over Madeleine could possibly be.

In the morning—the third day—as Donald Brayshon came jauntily down the steps of his town house, he was very much annoyed with a certain well-dressed stranger who cannoned into him in the clumsiest manner, and sent his silk hat rolling into the gutter.

The well-dressed stranger was full of apologies, and listened meekly to Brayshon's revilings.

"I was lost in a reverie. Do forgive me, sir! It was foolish of me, I know, but pray overlook it!" the well-dressed stranger said humbly.

Brayshon cooled down a little and began to walk on, but the well-dressed stranger kept by his side, still murmuring apologies and refusing to be shaken off. Gradually and skilfully he introduced other subjects, till Brayshon, thawed and interested, found himself at last exchanging cards with his new friend.

"I insist," said the stranger effusively, whose card proclaimed him to be Sampson P. Vane. "I insist that you lunch with me to-morrow, sir. Your conversation interests me, and I want to force you as my guest to forget the extremely annoying way in which I made your acquaintance."

"Very well," said Brayshon. "I shall be delighted! We seem to have a great deal in common!"

They parted, and Sampson P. Vane returned to Baker Street, doffed his disguise, and, as plane Sexton Blake, drove to an address in Harley Street.

The specialist gazed at him in amused astonishment as he explained his desire.

"My dear Blake," he exclaimed, "what next?"

"I count upon you, Sir James," returned the detective coolly. "Don't forget your promise over that Ellersham affair—that if ever you could be of service to me, you would."

"But, Blake—to dress up as a waiter and actually wait upon you and another man at lunch, and what is more, to find a colleague who would also dress up as a waiter—my dear chap, I can't!"

"You must!" said Blake.

"But I don't know how to 'wait.' We should give ourselves away."

"Not you. All you will have to do will be to put things on and take them off. I will arrange with the manager of the restaurant to have them all brought by a proper waiter to the door. It will be quite simple—just think of how you have seen other waiters behave."

And, taking his victim's consent for granted, Sexton Blake promptly retired.

"Cheek!" muttered Sir James. "But I suppose I shall have to do it, and it will be a lark!"

Blake, meanwhile, had gone to Boltie's hotel.

"You mustn't ask questions," he said. "And you must give me your word to leave everything to me. I am lunching with Brayshon at the Bingwood Restaurant to-morrow, and you can sit behind a screen and listen—if you are sure you can control yourself, and will undertake not to make a sound till I give you leave."

Boltie promised, and Blake went off to interview the manager of the restaurant.

III.

"Don't think much of the waiters here," muttered Brayshon discontentedly. "But the cooking's good, I will say that!"

"First-class!" agreed Sampson P. Vane.

"That clumsy brute—the older one of the two—has already dropped two plates," exclaimed Brayshon, "besides spilling some soup on my shoulder."

"Never mind the waiters, old chap," said Sampson P. Vane, soothingly, "have some more champagne. A propos, mark you made yesterday has been sticking in my mind. It sort of gave me an idea. Look here! That case I put to you wasn't entirely hypothetical. I want to know how a man who is madly in love with a girl who won't look at him can force her to marry him? You said—"

"I said the only way to rule a woman was to terrify her!" exclaimed Brayshon, taking the bait.

"Yes—but how?" murmured Blake. "Do you think these waiters can hear?"

"All the waiters at this place are foreigners, and can only speak enough English to make themselves understood," said Blake positively. "I shouldn't bother about them. Tell me how one can terrify a woman into doing whatever one wishes?"

"It must be a terror on a large scale. To threaten to shoot yourself or her isn't good enough. You must threaten to kill hundreds—thousands—"

"Appeal to her instinctive love of self-sacrifice—eh?"

"That's it, Vane! That's the idea, exactly! Now in my case—"

"Oh, you have done it,—eh?"

For a moment he looked confused, and then continued defiantly, made bold by the champagne:

"Well, yes, I have!" His eyes began to flash. "This is what I did: I said to her, marry me at the earliest possible moment or the deaths of a thousand innocent men, women, and children will be at your door. She laughed at first, and then she said I was mad, and threatened to tell the police. 'Tell them,' I said; 'but before they can interfere, the deed will be done.' And it would, too! 'Think what your nights would be like with that to haunt your dreams,' I said. 'What it comes to is that you have got to give your life to save thousands!' She called me a demon—she said again that I was mad, but she gave way in the end. I convinced her, you see, that I would do it—and that I would manage to do it, somehow, if she betrayed me—and you can come to my wedding in four days' time!"

"I see the idea," said Sampson P. Vane. "But what was the actual scheme?"

"Simple and convincing, my boy. I swore I would put a sufficient quantity of poison into one of the water mains to poison everyone who drank a glass of water that particular main supplies."

"And she preferred to throw her lover over to risking the lives of so man—eh?"

"Of course she did, being a woman! I knew she would, too—for all's fair in love and war, and she couldn't be sure if she attempted to betray me that I wouldn't contrive to carry out my threat; and, besides, she wouldn't be able to prove anything. As I pointed out to her, I should simply deny it to the police as an hysterical fabrication of hers, and then go and do it!"

Once more he chuckled.

"Neat—eh? Just the sort of thing to terrorize a woman. What you will have to do is to think of something similar, old chap! Let's see!"

He fell into a reverie, and Sampson P. Vane beckoned to the waiters.

"Good enough, Sir James?" he whispered.

"Quite good enough," the specialist answered.

"Boltie!" called Sampson P. Vane sharply, and at the same time springing up and seizing Brayshon in a grip of iron.

White with horror and anger combined, Boltie rushed from behind the screen to the detective's aid, and almost before he realized what was happening, the two men had Brayshon handcuffed and helpless in their grasp.

"We have made out the certificate," said Sir James. "He is undoubtedly of unsound mind, and a fit and proper person to be placed under restraint."

"A cab and two attendants from an asylum are waiting at the back entrance," said Blake.

They carried the lunatic, kicking and struggling furiously, to the cab, and having despatched him, returned to their private room.

"What a ghastly scheme!" muttered Boltie. "How poor Madeleine must have suffered! Can't you see how such a terrible predicament must have tortured her? Poor Madeleine—afraid to speak for fear he might carry out his threat!"

"Mad as a hatter!" said Sir James. "A wholesale slaughterer—quite a well-known type, Blake. How did we 'wait'?"

"Vilely! But, all the same, I am very much obliged!" said the detective.

"I," said Boltie, "am more than obliged! I have no words, gentlemen, to express my thanks. As for you, Mr. Blake, I am your debtor for life!"

"Suppose you run away and relieve the poor young lady's mind, and leave us to finish the dinner," suggested Sexton Blake, who never could bear being thanked.—From Answers.

TAKEN AT HIS WORD

Creditor:—"Suppose I'll have to wait till the day of judgment for what you owe?"

Debtor:—"Yes; call late in the day, though."—Fliegende Blatter.

EGGS-ACTLY

"Am I a slave?" bellowed the budding orator, warming to his subject.

"You're under the yolk," replied a small boy in the audience, as he let fly an unsavory egg.

POOR STUFF

"But do you think," asked the visitor in the local option town, "that prohibition really prevents?"

"Well," replied the native, "it prevents a fellow from getting the best whiskey, but it doesn't prevent whiskey getting the best of him."

PAID IN HIS OWN COIN

Wood prided himself on his joking abilities. He was a bit of a wag—what? One day he met a gentleman of the name of Stone. The chance was too good to be missed.

"Hello; Happy Easter!" he beamed, with the conscious pride of a witty remark-to-come style. "And how are Mrs. Stone and all the little pebbles?"

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Wood went away looking thought-

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COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Town Council was held on Thursday evening last, with Mayor R. B. Welliver in the chair, and Councillors Carscallen, Galbraith, Byers and Botsford in attendance.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Auditor A. W. G. Allen sent in his certified statements of revenue account and balance sheet for the year ending Dec. 31, 1911. He said the Town could congratulate itself on having a very healthy and first class balance sheet, and one that will still further enhance Red Deer's reputation in the money market.

Mr. Ilsley, of Castor, asked for information re. dray, pool room, transient traders and other by-laws. Filed.

Medicine Hat, Lethbridge, Stettler and Carmangay asked for information re. by-laws. Given.

The Gaetz Manufacturing Company, Limited, asked for exemption of taxation as a slight encouragement to wholesale business. Laid over.

H. H. Gaetz, on behalf of the townsite people, wrote in regard to industrial site across the C. & E. railway near the south end of the Town, wanted by the Town, that no settlement with the C.N.R. had been arrived at as yet, and it might be two months before that was settled. After that the question could be taken up again.

A. H. Brady, of Calgary, asked permission to put on a ten or fifteen round boxing bout to decide the championship of the welterweigh class of western Canada.

Best Bros. asked to be allowed to build an addition of 10 feet onto the rear end of their present building this small addition to conform with the present building, which is now considered fire proof.

Mr. Best was present and addressed the Council.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

The Commissioners brought in the following report:

Mayor Welliver went to Edmonton in regard to the Town Bill. Clause have been inserted empowering Towns to purchase land for industrial sites, also to build rinks.

Chief Bell reported Thos. Mumshaw as ailing recently. We had him examined by a doctor and on his advice he was sent to the hospital.

It is necessary for you to appoint an acting Mayor to act during the absence of the Mayor at any time also an assessment committee of two members to act with the assessor in checking over the roll.

We instructed Chief Bell to examine premises within the fire limits to see if ashes were deposited close to fences or buildings, and if any were found to notify the occupants or owners to have them removed at once.

We have returned J. Halstead to duty as Superintendent of the Cemetery and Parks, subject to your approval. At present he is cleaning out brush in the Parks.

We recommend that the license by-law be amended, placing a license on boxing or wrestling matches held in Town.

We have had some work done at the intake, but the water being higher than for years at this time made it impossible to clean it out by the methods intended. We consulted J. Watson and Mr. Dawe about it, and will, subject to your approval, engage Mr. Dawe to superintend the job. He states that it can be pumped out with a centrifugal pump and the thing we can obtain one that is now at Rocky Mountain House. By this means the work can be done much cheaper than by hand labor.

We have commenced revision of the by-law regulating waterworks as some changes are necessary. The proposed additions or change will be submitted to you for approval before the by-law is prepared.

We hope to have the matter of nuisance ground settled very soon in a satisfactory manner.

We recommend that we be authorized to have the auditor's report for 1911 printed for distribution and also published in the Financial Post.

We submit herewith accounts for your authorization to pay.

We submit herewith a by-law authorizing a loan for sewer connection installations.

We received the following tenders for 40 tons of coal for the fire hall and office:

Nevis coal—
D. A. Lamont, $5.50 per ton.
Red Deer coal—
A. S. Randebough, $5.70 per ton.
F. A. Jacobson, $5.70 per ton.
J. Jacobson, $5.75 per ton. ...
R. S. Rogers, $5.75 per ton.
O. Hockin, $5.95 per ton.
A. E. Trimble, $6.00 per ton.

Chief Meeres states that the Red Deer coal is much more economical than Nevis coal for use in the furnaces. We therefore recommend that the tender of Mr. Randebough be accepted.

For hay the following tenders were received:

Gordon Healey, $10.60 per ton.
J. Swanson, $12.00 per ton.
C. White, $12.00 per ton.
R. C. Parker, $10.50 per ton.

As the lowest tender is within the market price we accepted the tender of G. Healey.

For oats following were tenders:
C. White, 35 cts. per bushel.
Ross Bros., 28 cts. per bushel.

As the lowest price is high for that the market price we did not accept either of the tenders but authorized H. Meeres to purchase at the best price he could. He purchased from D. Cook at 24 cts. per bushel.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The report was adopted as amended.

ACCOUNTS.

The following accounts were passed:

J. Cleghorn $23.95, Wage Sheet for Jan. 306.22, J. Cleghorn 12.9, Alberta Hotel Ltd. 20.00, D. A. Lamont 21.73, Latimer & Botterill 79.65, Gen. Supplies, Ltd. 20.90, Niagara Metal Stamp Works 6.50, J. Thorvaldson 19.25, G. Healey 10.70, Monetary Times 5.50, Canadian Fairbanks Co. 42.76, D. A. Lamont 13.75, R. J. Thompson 115.00, J. W. Broughton 6.00, Ash Lee 9.75.

The auditor's report for the year 1911 was adopted.

The Mayor, Councillor Botterill, together with the Assessor, were appointed assessment committee for 1912.

Councillor Galbraith was appointed acting Mayor during the absence of the Mayor.

CONSTABLES RESIGN.

Constable Chas. Anderson and Constable Edward H. Smith sent in their resignation on the police force, the same to take effect Feb. 29.

Some discussion took place on the resignation of these efficient men from the force.

Councillor Galbraith wished to know if the constable had any grievance, as some rumors had been going around Town.

Mayor Welliver said the Commissioners only got the resignation today, and they asked the constables to meet them, when they asked if they had any grievance or just wished to leave the force.

They said they had no complaint to make and they had no grievance.

In accordance with this statement Councillors Carscallen and Galbraith moved that the resignations of Constables Anderson and Smith be accepted, and that the Commissioners take steps to fill the vacancies. Carried.

Moved by Councillor Carscallen, seconded by Councillor Byers, that the Council endorse the resolution of the Secretary of Vermilion relative to interdiction. Carried.

The Commissioners brought in their reports bearing on the frontage tax on improvements made last year.

Moved by Councillors Botsford and Galbraith that the special commissioners' reports on local improvements be received and adopted. Carried.

A by-law to borrow the sum of $500 for municipal purposes passed its several readings and was made law.

The milk by-law was laid over to another meeting as unfinished business.

Council adjourned at 10.30 o'clock.

First Scratch Draws Blood

Public Service Commission Opens Inquiry on Temiskaming

Ottawa, Jan. 22.—The Public Service Commission overhangs the past week in Federal politics. It had much to do with the debates; and it began its work of investigation. Let us take these circumstances in reverse order.

After organizing and doing some preliminary feeling about so as to familiarize itself with the general organization of the service the Commission took up the methods of business pursued by that huge money-spending body, the Public Works Department, which under Mr. Pugsley has disbursed over twenty million dollars in one twelve month. Performing no detective work, but selecting one transaction which had aroused the attention of the Auditor-General, Mr. Morine and his fellow commissioners, Mr. Lake and Mr. Ducharme, began examining Mr. St. Laurent, the Assistant Deputy Minister, on oath.

USEFUL OR MONSTROUS SCANDAL.

The work was the Temiskaming Dam, a project for controlling the flow of water on the Ottawa river. The enterprise if properly carried out, would prove useful; with this exception the work appears as monstrous a scandal as the Newmarket canal. Here are the bones of the transaction, as at present exposed. Proposals were made for a comparatively modest work, a wooden dam, to cost $76,000; on that basis the Cabinet sanctioned the project and Parliament voted money for it. Then the plan were changed and the contractors who had successfully tendered for a wooden dam were given the work of building a concrete dam, no further call being issued for tenders.

IGNORANT AND CARELESS.

The cost of the work so altered in character swelled steadily; it now exceeds $350,000 and may reach half a million. The transaction is replete with instances of carelessness and bad business methods. The original contract was awarded, for example, without the Public Works Department knowing (1) exactly where the dam was to be; (2) how deep the water was; (3) the nature of the ground on and in which the work must proceed.

DID NOT KNOW ITS REAL NATURE.

More serious, however, than the waste of money and the carelessness in points of detail is the circumstance already noted; the way in which Government, Parliament and country were committed to an expensive enterprise without its real nature being made clear. The Laurier Government was induced to provide for a cheap work; it found itself landed into an expensive work. It set its hand to the plough in ignorance of—if not deceived as to—the length of the furrow. Mr. Pugsley's Department prepared no business-like plan of the work, but handled it in piecemeal and haphazard fashion. The successive memoranda, orders-in-council and other documents in the case are couched in a remarkable ambiguity of phrase eminently calculated to produce the effect actually attained—the cloaking of the real nature, scope and cost of the enterprise. In short, it is wonderfully bad business.

The first scratch of the Morine Commission thus has drawn blood.

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DIET ECCENTRICITIES

AMAZING TASTES IN EATABLES RECOUNTED BY A DOCTOR.

Dr. W. Fenwick at Meeting of London Society Tells of Devices to Excite an Appetite and of the Disease Known as Unsatiable Hunger—Sword Swallowers Get Attached to Their Remarkable Luncheons.

Several extraordinary instances of people who had acquired the habit of eating hair, glass, dirt, clothing, with evident enjoyment, were mentioned by Dr. W. Fenwick, who gave an amazing address at the Institute of Hygiene in London on "Eccentricities in Dietary." Various odd devices, he said, were resorted to in former days to stimulate a flagging appetite, such as the drinking of spiced wines, the droppings of coins or cold metal down the back, or sometimes a little exercise or gentle alteration was indulged in between the courses to "settle the food in the stomach." It became the habit at a later period to scratch or fondle the lobe of the right ear to stimulate the flow of gastric juice, as the nerve which supplies this part of the skin has a direct connection with the great nerve of the stomach.

Dr. Fenwick's most amazing passage concerned those people who suffered from the disease of "insatiable hunger." The earliest notice of it he said, was to be found in the Book of Genesis, where Pharaoh consulted Joseph about his dream of the fat and the lean kine, in which the lean kine devoured the fat ones without appearing an atom the better for it. That exactly described the case of the "insatiable hunger" victims. They would eat almost anything, yet they were always hungry, lean and illflavored.

The lecturer gave instances. A girl of eight, who ordinarily at table ate as much as the seven other members of the household put together, one day escaped from her keeper in the kitchen, where she ate a raw codfish, two pounds of kitchen candles and several pounds of butter. A boy victim, for purposes of medical observations, was allowed twenty-four hours of perfect freedom. He devoured 16 pounds of raw meat in that time, besides etceteras. A third patient, a girl, was placed in a walled garden of shrubs, so tired had her parents become of her appetite, but love laughs at locksmiths, and before she was discovered, she had eaten every leaf, all the small twigs, and had started knawing a bough. A fourth case, a boy, on being shut up, ate all his clothes.

With a parting allusion to a lady who escaped into a dairy and ate 28 unboiled eggs, 6 pounds of butter and 3 pounds of bread, and washing it down with three pints of milk and two bottles of wine before sleep overcame her, Dr. Fenwick passed on to "idiosyncracy of diet."

"Many people," he said, "possess an extraordinary relish for common salt. This often has the curious effect of increasing a person's weight. One young lady who devoured immense quantities of salt would increase as much as ten pounds in weight in twenty-four hours, and was frequently unable to wear a dress which was quite loose for her on the previous day. If you can persuade these people not to take salt so much they get well; if not, they die of dropsy. Many girls will devour slate pencils, chalk, and vinegar because nearly all these have at some time or other beautifying properties."

Then there were the paper eaters—usually children. They would scrape paper off the walls to satisfy their cravings, but their favorite food was newspaper. The effect was the formation of sodden balls of paper on the stomach, which resulted sometimes in appendicitis, consumption of the bowels, and other deadly complaints. Girl hair-eaters were next referred to. Young girls got into the habit of chewing wisps of their own hair, or the ends of their "pig-tails" while reading, and the habit sometimes persisted. In the stomach of one woman was found a ball of hair four pounds in weight. Dressmakers and mattress and mat makers were liable to eat cotton, string, or whatever else they might be working with. A boy employed at making cocoa-nut matting was found to have a large amount of fibre in his stomach. Among varnishers and polishers there were those who drank varnish and polish in large quantities, usually affecting the spirituous kind, with the result that enormous hard stones were formed in their stomachs.

"A popular way of enjoying strawberries," continued the lecturer, "is to go out in the garden and eat them immediately after a shower. But the custom carries with it the liability of eating the eggs of the 'daddy-longlegs,' which develop into the larvæ known as the 'leather jacket'—a long, jointed, creature, with strong jaws, that will bite the end of the stick with which you prod it out of the ground. A person with a 'leather jacket' inside him will never enjoy himself."

The varieties in diet are innumerable, and local superstitions, religious or otherwise, are responsible for the unpleasant habit of eating mud, clay, dirt, soot, live fish, etc., after a time, become regarded as delicacies while occasionally the fashion spreads through an entire community as witnessed by the dirt-eating epidemic described by Hunter. Substances, too, which are often taken, in the first instance, for amusement, by frequent repetition, lead to insatiable desire. Thus, sword-swallowers, knife-eaters, glass-blowers, and the like not only continue their peculiar practice for years, but actually get to relish them. There is an authentic case of an able bodied seamen who was forced to drink out of a pewter pot because if he used a tumbler he never could resist the temptation of chewing up the glass and swallowing it afterwards.

Industrial Canada

According to the Monetary Times the census figures show that more than $1,000,000,000 are invested in Canadian manufacturing industries, that these industries each year produce another $1,000,000,000 worth of finished products, that our industrial establishments exceed 20,000 in number and that they pay out $250,000,000 in wages to 500,000 work people. These figures convey some impression of what the National Policy established under Sir John Macdonald in 1878 is doing for the country. Under its aegis the Dominion has become a great manufacturing as well as a great agricultural nation, each half of the nation furnishing a profitable market for the other half.

In the last six years alone the number of our industries, the number of hands employed, the capital invested, and the wages earned have increased 33 per cent. The consumptive capacity of the home market grows so fast that our factories are not more than able to keep pace with the demands upon them. At this moment they are being enlarged on a scale never before contemplated. Everywhere plants are being extended. Everywhere fresh openings are being provided for increasing numbers of workmen and wage earners. We have the natural resources, the water powers, the transportation facilities, the capital, and we have and are obtaining the right kind of population to make the most of these advantages.

Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia are still supreme in manufacturing, but the West is rapidly securing factories of its own. Manitoba boasts 400 separate industries, Alberta and Saskatchewan are rapidly following in its footsteps, and British Columbia is beginning to realize upon its enormous potentialities in the manufacturing field. The new census is expected to give to Manitoba or possibly Saskatchewan the greatest percentage of growth in the number of industries during the past ten years. There is every prospect that the farmers of the two youngest provinces will awake to the industrial possibilities of their country, and support moderate protection as a means of providing themselves with a stable home market. Even today they do not grow anything like enough of many kinds of farm produce to supply the towns and cities which are springing up on the prairies.

REMOVAL OF OLD SCHOOL BUILDING.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned for the removal of the old school building on the Balmoral school grounds. All refuse in connection therewith to be removed and the ground properly levelled before the 1st day of May, 1912. Tenders to be in by the 3rd day of February, 1912.—S. D. McCONNELL, Secretary, Box 373, Red Deer.
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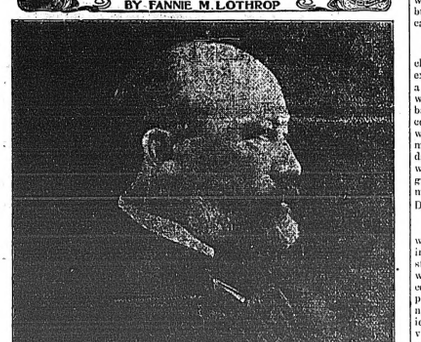

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SIR WILLIAM VAN HORNE
The Builder of the Canadian Pacific.

Sir William Van Horne, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Pacific R. R., is the most versatile man in Canada. He is a railroad builder who defied obstacles that would have daunted most men; he is a collector of paintings and is a painter of ability; he is a deep student and a pleasing talker; he is a successful amateur farmer; he is the head and prime mover in dozens of big enterprises which he handles simultaneously with the ease of a Japanese juggler tossing balls into the air; and he is invading Cuba and Guatemala with the great advance-agent of civilization—railways.

He was born near Joliet, Ill., in 1843, a lineal descendant of one of the Dutch founders of New Amsterdam, the germ from which the great city of New York has evolved. At fourteen the death of his father made it necessary for him to secure the living the world owes to everyone who works day and night to collect the debt. He was first telegraph operator on the Illinois Central, then went into the service of the Michigan Central where he remained six years, leaving to be train dispatcher of the Alton, there rising successively to the position of superintendent of telegraph and divisional superintendent. He afterward occupied managing positions on the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern, Southern Minnesota, Chicago and Alton, and Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railways, going from the latter to the Canadian Pacific as general manager.

The inception of this, one of the world's greatest railway systems, was due to the patriotism, courage and enterprise of Lords Mount Stephen and Strathcona and other capitalists; but the virtual building of the road and putting into the completed work the soul of a mighty purpose, the boundless energy, vitality and brain that have made it what it is, was the work of Sir William Van Horne. In 1884 he became vice-president of the road and four years later was made president. His splendid organizing ability, his mastery of detail, his infinite resourcefulness, his conquest of obstacles—all find their lasting monument in this splendid work. He has the visions into the future that distinguish all great leaders; he sees the oak in the acorn, he sees in imagination the busy town with its teeming population, where other men see only a possible good site for a town. For him to see a need, is to plan; for him to plan, is to execute.

In 1894, Queen Victoria, recognising the marvelous impetus he had given to Canada, conferred on him an honorary knighthood, which he modestly accepted as a tribute to his railroad, and has since carried his honors with the simplicity, grace and dignity of a large-minded, broad-gauge man.

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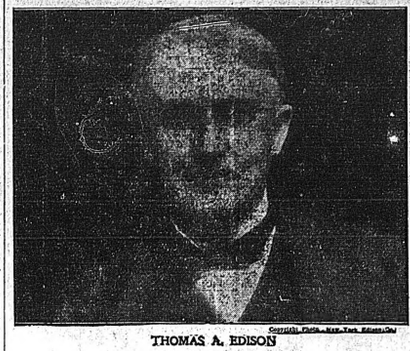

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THOMAS A. EDISON
The World's Greatest Inventor

The eight hundred or more patents credited to Thomas A. Edison means one for every three weeks of his fifty-eight years, and even this calculation is unjust to his mechanical genius, for it does not include his many inventions which never ventured into the publicity that patents demand.

This wizard of invention was a model of precocity. Born at Alva, Ohio, he had only one teacher—his mother; at seven he became a wage-earner; at eleven he was reading Newton's "Principia"; at twelve he was a newsboy on the Grand Trunk Railway, and in an improvised laboratory in the baggage car he began to dabble in chemistry. A broken bottle of sulphuric acid filled the air with an odor that was unspeakable, and the cruel hands of the conductor registered his disapproval by a brutal blow on the ear of the young disciple of science, which made him deaf for life.

He soon learned telegraphy and became so expert that the most rapid operators on the line could not rattle him by their fiercest speed, and all taken down in his small, clear, copper-plate writing. He showed then the remarkable ability to meet any situation instantly and perfectly. When he was in Canada, and the terrible storms cut off all telegraphic communication, and it was necessary to get word to Sarnier, an American town across the border, he mounted a locomotive and "tooted" a telegraphic message again and again until the answer came.

His first patent was for a machine for recording votes for the State Legislature. It worked perfectly, but it was the very thing the Legislature most cordially did not want. In the same year he went to New York friendless, penniless, in debt, hungry, footsore and heart-weary at times, but with eyes wide open for chances. The Lawn Gold Reporting Co., that reported stock transactions, had an accident that put all its machinery out of commission. Wall Street patrons fretted, chafed, grew frenzied at the delay. Young Edison diagnosed the difficulty, treated it instantly, and was at once known and recognized. A short time later he had a $40,000 check in his pocket for a stock ticker he invented. Then real life began for him.

To tell of his inventions in a few lines is like seeking to condense a library into an epigram; but mention must be made of multiplex telegraphy, incandescent electric lighting, the phonograph, moving pictures, the microphone, the tasimeter, the odoroscope, electric pen, his storage battery, the megaphone, which list faintly suggests a host of others.

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NOT IGNORING ONLY COVERING

The Red Deer Advocate man doesn't like to be called a pawn. In fact, he resents it vigorously. Neither does he wish it to be inferred that the Liberal government, from the big guns down to the little pee wees, like our dear old cotem, always gave Red Deer the cold, cold shake. According to the Advocate the government was always just going to do something for Red Deer, which sounds very nice. Of course, fifteen years wasn't long enough for them to do anything in. We were supposed to wait about twenty years longer. Now the wicked Tories have been in power about three months and things are coming our way. Even the Advocate admits this in big flare headlines. But the Advocate says we ignore past good work of the Liberal party. Perish the thought! Havn't we joined time after time in votes of thanks to Dr. Clark for the tin boxes over at the depot, even if he did say we would now have to go back to eating rabbits because the government was defeated?

The Advocate, in winding up its article, sneers that other governments have helped Red Deer, and "it ill becomes the News to cast dirt upon them in an utterly mistaken idea that it is thereby bettering Mr. Michener's political prospects."

Which all goes to show how awfully mistaken the Advocate can be, because our object in throwing a little of the loose earth lying around was to cover up the poor Grit party, now dead some time, and beginning to smell to high heaven, and we thought we were only doing a most charitable act in covering them up.

But we cannot please the Advocate however hard we try.

GOVERNMENT HAIL INSURANCE WILL BE DROPPED, SAYS PREMIER SIFTON.

Premier Sifton moved the second reading of the Hail Insurance Bill in the House on Monday.

In an interview given the press, the Premier said the drafting of the bill had not yet been completed. "You can say, however," he continued, "that the bill will give power to private companies to conduct hail insurance business, and such companies will be under government supervision. This will prevent the field being exploited by crooked companies, such as was the state of affairs when the Territorial Government undertook to insure grain growers against loss by hail. In addition to the power given to private companies, rural municipalities will be able, if they see fit, to levy rates for hail insurance.

"While the government recognizes its duty to the farmers, upon whom the prosperity of the province depend, there are two serious, and I think sufficient, drawbacks to the government carrying on the hail insurance business. In the first place, the government must insure everybody ; it cannot pick and choose, as can a private company, and as a result all who suffer badly from hail insure and those who do not have hail don't. Secondly, a government cannot canvass for business, whereas a private company can place agents all over the country to solicit business.

"The result is that the government is decidedly the loser. Saskatchewan dropped ; three years ago, whereas Alberta has continued it until now. During the six years that the government has been operating hail insurance, the province has paid out $500,000 in compensation over and above the sum received from premiums. Some years have been more expensive than others, and in one year alone $300,000 was expended.

ALBERTA NOW $15,000,000 IN DEBT

Sifton Makes Budget Speech in Legislature and Brings Down Year's Estimates

INDEMNITIES ARE INCREASED BY $500

With only Malcolm McKenzie, J. W. Woolf and W. H. Cushing absent from the legislature yesterday afternoon, Premier Sifton introduced the government's estimates for this year and began the debate upon the budget.

There is a quaint formality which does not permit the legislators to vote money for the people until his majesty or his majesty's representative firs. lets them know how much he wants with which to run things. Therefore, when the premier said he had a message from his honor the lieutenant-governor every one in the chamber assumed a polite look of interested concern. The premier had the missive taken by a page to the clerk of the legislature. He scanned the billet-doux before passing it up to the speaker. He carefully read it through, then showed the proper amount of agitation. When he had called the legislators to their feet, and bade them "uncover," he read :

"The lieutenant-governor transmits estimates of certain sums required for the service of the province for the twelve months ending December 31st, and recommend the same to the legislature."

The debate on the budget would have been begun right there and then by Premier Sifton if Dr. Rutherford did not stentoriously ask to be heard upon a point of order. The premier resumed his seat while the former premier explained. He considered that the public accounts for last year should be laid on the table before the new estimates were brought down. He did not believe in voting fresh supplies of money before he knew what had been done with those voted last year.

The speaker took the point with him and the clerk into his room, and after brief meditation returned to say that the motion being put by Premier Sifton was in order.

DR. RUTHERFORD BOWS.

Dr. Rutherford said he bowed to the ruling, and Premier Sifton "took the floor," as they say in Tipperary.

The premier's speech is given further down in this report. It will be noticed he brought smiles to his followers by declaring that they shall receive an additional sessional indemnity of $500 each, making the allowance each session $1,500 ; and he has recommended that the leader of the opposition be placed on the same financial footing with the speaker. But when the premier read out the amounts voted under the different heads he omitted to include the extra $22,000 needed to give the members their additional indemnities, for he gave the amount under the head of legislation $62,990, whereas it ought to be $84,990, as indeed, it is printed in the estimates. It has been pointed out that the mistake was excusable, for it is said that if the premier had his own way the additional indemnity would not be voted. It is to placate some faltering lieges with a disposition to bolt the ticket, as the politicians to the south say.

The premier's statement also ignores the $437.500 to be voted under the head of "miscellaneous," although it is taken into consideration in the sum total he gives of the expenditures for this year.

What the premier said in his speech was full of optimism, at least. He ran over his bye-election campaign list of most of the public buildings in the province, and drew the attention of the legislators to the fact that these belong to the province. It is curious to notice the unending cost which has been incurred by some of these structures, as has been done in the closing part of this report.

The telephone system commends itself with repeating commendation in the eyes of the premier. He says it has been paying its way and is a glorious success, even having a balance of $62,000 to the good at the end of last year. Only a few weeks ago he told the legislature that of the $4,000,000 he than got permission to borrow, $2,000,000 would have to go to paying off back debts of the telephone system. Under the circumstances the system might well have a balance ; but, as the leader of the opposition said yesterday, it seems like taking money out of one pocket to put it into another.

$15,000,000 IN DEBT.

The province has got into debt. The premier acknowledges that now. He could not keep on as he has been doing without getting into debt. The leader of the opposition was not challenged when he declared that Alberta has an indebtedness of more than $15,000,000.

Natural resources now seem to be the only safe harbor for the Sifton administration. They are turning somersaults in their endeavor to try and find out whether they will be entrusted with the control of the province's resources before the people find out about the way things have been run and turn the government out of power.

If the Sifton government and its supporters have changed their minds regarding the proper policy for natural resources, all they have to do, as Mr. Michener repeated more than once during the debate yesterday afternoon, is to go to the people, and if returned to power the government will have demonstrated that the people have enough confidence in it to permit the Dominion government to entrust the Sifton administration with the control of this province's natural resources.

"Why don't you go?" was the inference put to the premier by the leader of the opposition yesterday.

Each item of the estimates will be discussed now that the house is likely to go into committee of supply after today. It is expected that the attorney-general will continue the debate this afternoon, and that it will be concluded tonight. After the estimates have been riddled through the legislative sieve, they will be referred back again to the house, and eventually become the basis of the money allowances for the various governmental workings of the province this year.

There is not much contained in them for the extension of agricultural education, with the exception of $40,000 for building agricultural schools. Hail insurance is cut out, which will not suit the United Farmers of Alberta. The immigration and colonization vote is cut down. Altogether, they make interesting reading. A closer analysis of some of the votes will be found in the last part of this report.

"I am pleased," said Premier Sifton, in moving this motion, "that this house do immediately resolve itself into committe of supply to be granted to His Majesty, that these accounts were adjourned over from the end of the year, for one reason because I think it is due to the people of the country that at this time we should have a statement given, as there have been various remarks made in the public press, and in other ways, in regard to the liabilities of the province ; a statement on the first day of January of the financial condition of the province so that it may reach the people of this country and they may understand that the province, although necessarily going into debt, although necessarily expending large amounts of money, as it has been in the past ; that the province is still in an extremely solvent condition.

"I find that the cash assets of the province of Alberta on the first day of January were $1,640,983.16.

PROVINCIAL ASSETS.

Buildings in different places, other than the University	$3,724,069.15
University, Strathcona	330,059.17
Permanent bridges	1,128,346.40
Surveys, roads and rights of way	183,570.26
Demonstration farms...	122,828.36
Seed grain, mortgages to government	45,720.04
Loans to creameries ...	27,617.95
Interest paid on railway bonds standing to credit of the treasurer	560,185.92
Total assets	$7,733,579.41

LIABILITIES.

$1,500,000 treasury bills, making total liabilities	$7,293,333.33

Leaving a surplusof assets over liabilities of $ 440,246.08

This statement, the premier pointed out, does not deal at all with the telephones.

The premier next gave this itemised list of a number of public buildings owned by the province and which have been constructed or commenced within the last six years, and added some which have not yet been started :

GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS.

Calgary Normal School	$234,449.36
Calgary Cold Storage	2,513.15
Elk Park Cottage	4,719.26
Calgary Land Titles Office	141,788.83
Lethbridge Jail	293,684.49
Wetaskiwin Court House	79,335.47
Edmonton Court House	235,135.24
Cardston Court House	22,928.34
Red Deer Court House	5,000.00
Lethbridge Court House	84,029.73
Ponoka Asylum	524,875.54
Parliament Buildings ...	1,737,891.33
Terrace Building, temporary	53,823.33
Legislative Hall	15,433.76
Edmonton Reg. Office	12,890.98
Heating Building, Calgary	27,573.58
Ft. Saskatchewan Court	9,959.12
Claresholm Court House	1,900.00
Medicine Hat Court House Site	11,003.75
Calgary Court House...	17,490.53
New Government House, Edmonton	58,732.14
Edmonton New Lands Title Office	47,631.93
Ft. Saskatchewan Jail	5,000.00
Calgary Land Titles Office	1,634.30
Calgary Court House...	40,090.50
Macleod Court House	27,807.29
Medicine Hat Court.....	11,467.94
University Site	150,000.09
Paid acc't construction	50,059.17

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Men's Fur Collars
6 Australian beaver, reg. 5.00, and 6 Dyed Can. Rat, reg. 5.00
To go at $2.50

25 Men's Suits
From 38 to 39, reg. 8.50, 10.00 & 12.00
$4.95

20 Boys' Reefer Coats
All sizes, 4.50 and 5.50
To clear 1.95

Men's Dressing Gowns
reg. 10.00 and 12.00
To clear $4.95

Men's Mule Hide Mitts
Wool lined, reg. 60c. and 75c.
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20 doz. Men's Caps
Sold as high as 1.50 and 1.75
To clear at 50c.

Men's Fur Caps
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10 Men's Overcoats
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15 Men's Pea Jackets
Heavy Wool-lined
$2.95

4 doz. Odd Undershirts
Prices from 95c. to 2.00
While they last, 45c.

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2 Pairs for 25c.

Neck Wraps & Scarfs
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Ladies' Furs
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Boys' Overcoats
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The Week in Edmonton

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members of the House were to be congratulated on this magnificent surplus of nearly half a million. The Premier delivered his best speech of the session and did not indulge in any unseemly sarcasm. Perhaps he has by this time learned that there is on the opposition benches a septette of Conservatives who cannot be ridiculed out of their convictions, and who intend to keep right on making an effective opposition to every method and movemen. of the government which they deem not in the public interest.

The leader of the opposition followed the budget speech of the Premier and, in spite of the serious disadvantage of not having the accounts for 1911, and only having had a moment to scan the estimates for 1912, made a fighting speech of great force and telling effect. By general consent on both sides this has been one of the best criticisms of a budget ever heard in the House. Under the spell of the Premier's eloquence we had allowed ourselves an instant's delusion with regard to a surplus, but the leader of the opposition, with his keen insight into figures, went instantly to the heart of the subject and very quickly showed that the surplus was only imaginary, and purely a matter of craftiness in bookkeeping. Large amounts had been borrowed by the government, and he would be a poor bookkeeper indeed who could not make a surplus appear out of such large amounts with huge balances unexpended.

A point well taken in the speech of the leader of the opposition was his criticism of the government for not appointing more ministers to the portfolios which the premier is himself holding. It was suggested that Providence has been singularly partial to the Premier and the members of the government, when four portfolios were held by the Premier, and the other four by the remaining three members of the Cabinet, while twenty-nine members on the government side of the House were regarded as without the necessary ability to assume such responsibilities and were without anything to do.

The Attorney General, in his reply, stated that he was in accord with this view and did not doubt that it had also been in the mind of the Premier. There can be no doubt that the Premier has seen this need, but it has to be weighed against the possibility of defeat at a bye-election, in connection with every eligible man on the government side. It is a deplorable condition of affairs when the tenure of the government is so insecure that efficiency of administration has to be set aside for fear of defeat in a bye-election. Even on the government side the best men have expressed contempt for this sort of trifling, and it only needs the full announcement of a railway policy not sound in principle to excite opposition within the government ranks.

The budget debate was continued on Friday, but by mutual arrangement was not made the occasion of prolonged discussion. This will come in the committee stage of supply. Mr. Tweedie offered a masterly criticism of the financial statement of the Premier, and showed that large items had been included in the estimate of revenue which could not be considered as revenue, and also that interest on the A. & G. W. bonds now in litigation was included in an amount totalling nearly $900,000. The decision on this matter by one of our own trial judges is regarded as entirely superficial, and, as was pointed out by the speaker, the matter is likely to be referred to the Supreme Court of Canada and to the Privy Council of Canada, and even if the decision there is favorable, to be made an international question between the United States and Canada. Yet, on this money in litigation, the Premier reckons as revenue the sum of nearly $900,000.00 interest. Asked by Mr. Tweedie when he expected to receive this amount, the Premier replied, "The good Lord only knows, I don't." "Then," said the speaker, "You have included as income and revenue an amount which you admit only the good Lord knows when you will receive it." "Why do you not follow out the principle a little further," continued the speaker, "and include the whole of the $7,400,000 of the principal of the bonds in litigation, which you also hope some day to receive, and then you would have a surplus of nearly $8,000,000 instead of half a million." Mr. Tweedie showed that when the revenue was confined to those items which properly belong thereto that there was a deficit of half a million instead of a surplus. The effect of this speech was to shake the entire fabric of the Premier's day dream to the floor of the House, so that the plaster is not the only thing that fell in the Legislature during the past week.

"You may think that you can get away with this kind of a statement," said Mr. Tweedie, "and you may be able to do so with members on the government side of the house, but you cannot get away with it with the opposition." This declaration was loudly applauded by opposition members. In fact, the members of the government side of the House did not cheer more loudly the announcement of what the leader of the opposition called "the Premier's mental surplus," than did the seven "righteous men" in opposition, this remark of the junior member for Calgary.

Alberta Now $15,000,000 in Debt

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Bridges—

Constructed from Sept. 1, 1905, to Dec. 31, 1908	538,121.36
Constructed in 1909	280,121.00
Constructed in 1910	137,817.58
Constructed in 1911	172,005.98

CURRENT EXPENDITURES.

"So far as the expenditure is concerned for the current year it amounts to $3,246,740.00.

These are divided as follows :

Amount of public debt	$340,000.00
Civil government.	225,720.00
Legislation	62,390.00
Administration of justice	460,110.00
Public Works	450,000.00
Education	624,320.00
Agriculture	419,100.00
Hospitals, charities, public health	91,000.00
Public institutions	136,000.00
Total expenditure...	$2,490,000.00

This is divided into :

Public Works	$2,367,058.20
Agriculture	123,000.00

This, summarised the premier, makes a total estimate of expenditure for the current year, outside of the telephone system of $5,736,798.20.

Total revenue	$6,283,518.90

Which leaves an estimated surplus on Dec. 31st, 1 12, of $546,720.90.

MUST CURTAIL EXPENSES.

"There are," continued the premier, "matters in which it has been necessary to curtail the revenue of this country, for the revenues are not of such an elastic nature as we would like; but to the extent that it is possible with the revenues of this country, it is necessary to be economical in regard to matters that are unnecessary."

The premier alluded to the difficulty experienced by the government in "standing off" delegations asking for grants for various schemes for which the revenue of the province would not stand. What the province is able to undertake is limited by its revenues, and without wishing to impose burdensome taxation the government wishes to expend the money in the best interests of the province.

The government proposes devoting $1,000,000 to trunk roads, as had already been discussed when the bill for the purpose was being passed through the house.

The premier considered that one increased vote should be brought to the attention of the people. That is that the government thinks wise to increase the indemnity of each member, raising it from $1,000 a session to $1,500. Also a new departure in provincial legislature has been made. The government includes in the estimates provision for a special indemnity for the leader of the opposition. This places him, as the premier explained, on the same financial footing as the Speaker of the house, who receives the member's indemnity and a special sessional allowance of $1,500. The premier considers this necessary if the leader of the opposition is to be free to watch that the government does its duty, for certain expenses naturally fall upon him which, the premier thinks, do not have to be borne by the ordinary member.

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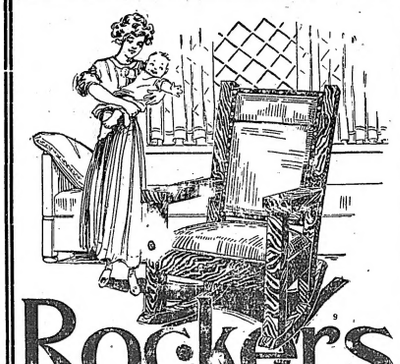

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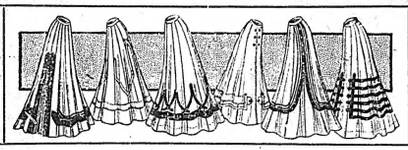

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Voiles and Other
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Misses' Skirts
in Black, Blue or Brown Panama, front in plain style, back in panel effect, finished with buttons. **$4.00**

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Skirts, semi-hobble cut, new panel back, nicely trimmed with black silk braid and buttons. Special value at **$8.00**

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Arrival and Display of the New Jacquard Silks

This is to be a great silk season according to the best authorities. A novelty that will be much worn and admired is the new Jacquard silk. This comes in a good width, full 27 ins., and has a dull, roughish surface, something similar to Rajah Pongee. Some are plain and others woven into exceptionally neat and attractive patterns, others again in elaborate floral effects. These silks are variously known as Plain Jacquard, Jacquard Shantung, Lascale Jacquard, Surah Jacquard and Floral Jacquard. These silks possess beautiful soft draping qualities, and will make excellent frocks. Prices **45c.** to **90c.**

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Besides these we have received some striped and figured Messalines, Striped Taffetas and Cordelettes.

See This Week's Window Display

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1 lb. jars Marmalade	25c. each
1 lb. jars Assorted Jams	25c. each
Holland Herring, per keg	85c.
Digby Chicks, per box	30c.
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Fresh Eggs	35c. per doz.
Potatoes	75c. per bus.

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Crisis in Ulster

The Unionists Will Fight

London, Jan. 25.—The crisis in Ulster is drawing near. It is plain that both sides are growing more resolute and regardless of the grave consequences. Winston Churchill means to go to Belfast even if it takes the whole Irish constabulary as an escort to protect him enroute and to cut his way through the obstructing crowd to take possession of Ulster hall and speak the mind of the government.

So great and widespread is the excitement that a stream of Nationalists is expected to pour into Belfast to see Churchill through with his business.

The anti-home rule campaign opened with ominous speeches to ten thousand English electors in Lancashire. Sir Edward Carson, the Orange champion, stopped on his way to Ulster, to take command at a great meeting in Liverpool. Sir Edward Carson, who is a privy councillor and ex-solicitor-general, said: "After a long series of provocations the government has thrown down the challenge. We have taken it up. I charge the government, and I will make my words good, with a long series of provocative insults towards the loyal men of North Ireland, culminating in a deliberate scheme either to provoke disorder or cover Ulster with contempt. (Cheers)

PUT IT TO THE TEST.

"Let these rebels who call me rebel put it to the test. They do not want leave of any great ecclesiastical authority (derisive cheering). If it is a crime to tell the people of Great Britain that the Loyalists will not under any circumstances submit to being turned out of the citizenship they have inherited, I say it here, and I am prepared to take the consequences. (Loud cheers).

"The cost may be great suffering. It may be terrible. No man feels the responsibility more than I do. God knows I would rather bear it myself, but we want to stay with you." (Loud cheers).

Newspapers of all shades recognize that the situation is every hour becoming more and more charged with danger easily resulting in civil war. The Times says: "The government now know whether the Loyalists in the north of Ireland have only been bluffing when they said they would fight rather than accept home rule. The men of Ulster mean every word they have said and the responsibility for whatever occurs must rest upon the government. The Loyalists will not submit to be placed under the yoke of a Dominion by the retrograde majorities of the south whipped up by the priests and Nationalists.

"The government is treading an extremely perilous path at the end of which, even if they trod it successfully from their party standpoint, there is no solution. Irish difficulty is only the beginning of trouble more acute than any even Ireland furnished in the past."

Women to Get Vote in Toronto

Toronto, Jan. 23.—City council voted unanimously yesterday in favor of municipal franchise being extended to women, on the same terms of property qualifications that now apply to men voters. The council decided to apply to legislature "To make such changes in the franchise act as will extend municipal franchise in Toronto to all persons, who are citizens of Canada, and have required property qualifications." Not a word in opposition was expressed by members, and large delegation of ladies present at council meeting went away looking pleased.

Salvation of Persia Rests With England, says Morgan Shuster

Paris, Jan. 23.—After remaining in Paris for four or five days, W. Morgan Shuster, the ex-treasurer-general of Persia, who arrived here from Vienna this afternoon, will proceed to London, where on Jan. 29 he will deliver an address on Persia before the Persia committee founded by members of the house of commons and others interested in the maintenance and integrity and independence of Persia and the regeneration of that country. He concluded a review of the whole Persian situation with the words: "Persia's salvation rests with England, and England alone, for only England can check the encroachments of Russia. Only the awakened public conscience of England can give to ancient Persia a vestige of respectable self-government."

Mr. Shuster compared the coup d'etat which dissolved the Persian national council to the historic coup d'etat of Napoleon III, in 1851, the difference being that in the case of Persia the seven men who are nominally governing Persia, who are without reputation or character, backed by Russia and Great Britain formed themselves into a cabinet and assumed the powers of a directory and closed up the parliament.

"I had behind me," continued Mr. Shuster, "three thousand Fidais or national volunteers and for twenty-four hours I fought an internal struggle to decide whether I should battle in behalf of the constitutional government against the illegal dictators. I finally decided that the immediate interests would be best served by my withdrawal and the prevention of bloodshed."

British Protection is Refused to Canadians Fleeing for Their Lives

Shanhai, Jan. 16.—After an exciting trip from Chen-u in far Western Sze Chuen Province, that took us right across China at its widest point, and through the hottest centre of revolutionary activity, a party of about 25 Canadians, connected with the Methodist mission work, of whom your correspondent was one, arrived here safely today. At nearly every stage of the long journey of 2,500 miles to this place of security, we had visible evidence of the sanguinary struggle between Manchus and Chinese. We saw the charred ruins of cities and many bodies floating on the water. At Hankow, the great inland port of the Yang-se River, that we reached three days later, in our households, there was a terrible scene of desolation. Thousands of houses had been destroyed.

Nor did we complete the running of the gauntlet from within sight of the Mountains of Thibet to the Pacific Coast without being in peril from both government and rebel forces. At Hokiang we were fired upon repeatedly by Imperial troops, and time and time again our households were struck, but by screening ourselves as well as we could, and by a merciful dispensation of Providence, we escaped unharmed. Only one of our native boatmen was seriously wounded. Some of us Canadians had almost miraculous escapes.

MISSION PROPERTY PLUNDERED.

We did not leave Chentu until we were ordered to do so by Mr. Wilkinson, the British Consul-General. For four months we had been besieged in the city, which is the capital of seventy million people. Frequently the Imperial troops sallied forth from behind the great sheltering wall, fifty feet through at the base, which protected the city, but each victory they won but weakened the viceroy's power of resistance, and his little army of five thousand men, after slaughtering thousands of rebels, was itself reduced to half its original number. Finally the rebels gained the upper hand, and the populace joined the revolutionists, the government was overthrown and the city was given over to plunder. Numerous robber bands worked almost unmolested, and an incalculable amount of damage to property was sustained. It is feared that the valuable mission buildings of the Canadian Methodist Church may have suffered even more severely after our departure, as the disorders continued in aggravated form.

BRITISH GUNBOAT REFUSED HELP.

It was on December 12th that we set forth under escort from Chentu. There were one hundred and fifty of us in all, composed of nearly ninety members of the Canadian Methodist mission, including the numerous children and their mothers, besides over forty Japanese, and persons of four other nationalities. The first part of the journey was made overland. Then we reached deeper water and took houseboats, splitting up into a number of different parties. Two miles above Hokian we reached the British gunboat Widgeon and experienced a great relief. "We are safe now," we thought. To our surprise the captain refused to afford us any protection. He turned a deaf ear to our appeals, and sent us on down the river through a district that for hundreds of miles was infested with marauders and full of perils. Had the gunboat been with us, it is altogether unlikely that we should have been fired upon as we were. Much indignation is felt among our party, and the British officials elsewhere who have been doing their utmost to protect the foreigners, are making strong protest to Admiral Sir Alfred L. Winsole, commander-in-chief of the British Eastern fleet, and the matter has been brought to the attention of British consul.

Lethargy Follows in Starvation's Wake; Lie Down in Mud and Die

Washington, Jan. 23.—"They have no seed to plant and no animals to do their plowing with, and this condition of affairs has gone on for so long that they have lost all desire for work, they simply want to lie down in the mud and die. There were people working on either side of the roadway, coming and going. These were all beggars and all starving. A few years ago the majority of them had been successful farmers, but now they have absolutely nothing. There was not a day that I did not pass two or three bodies of men, women and children lying on the road. When the people got tired and gave up they simply dropped down where they were and died, they did not even go to the raised track on the side, but dropped in the road where they lay unburied.

"I came across the emaciated body of a young boy, five or six years old, his throat had been cut from ear to ear, and a piece of paper was pinned on him which stated that his father and mother had nothing to give him to eat, and the children of the village were standing around looking at the corpse."

These were some of the observations of C. D. Jameson, a Red Cross engineer, sent to inspect the famine district of China and to report on the possibility of flood prevention in the Hwai valley. The appalling conditions apply to nearly 3,000,000 people and unless outside relief is instantly forthcoming it is declared untold thousands of these must die before the scanty new crops are ripened and gathered.

Wise and Otherwise

DEBTOR HUNTING.

The Running Down of Delinquents Is a Flourishing Trade.

Ever has it been the case that the most exciting and most fascinating of all sports is man hunting, and the debt-collector often wishes there was less excitement. The matter is merely child's play when it is concerned with the inexperienced debtor, but there is no more wily creature than the hardened individual who incurs debts in the hope that he will be able to avoid payment.

There is a large number of men in this country who depend mainly upon chasing debtors for a living, taking the opportunity of buying the debts from a tradesman. The tradesman who has tried in vain to recover debts due to him, is glad at last to sell these debts as a mere fraction of their value. This is the professional debt buyer's opportunity and he gambles upon the chance that he will be able to recover a considerable amount of the money.

Unfortunately, while human nature remains as at present constituted, the law is bound to be too hard upon well-meaning debtors and too lenient upon scamps. As our law stands at present a man without immovable assets can set the law at defiance.

For instance, when a debt-collector resorts to the extreme step of issuing a warrant for the arrest of the culprit, he must not serve it upon the man before sunset during the working days of the week, and he cannot force open the doors of a man's dwelling. It follows therefore, that after sunset and on Sundays the debtor can walk about and snap his fingers under the nose of the man who has a warrant in his pocket for the debtor's arrest.

Every debt-collector knows examples of "wanted" men who in the evening walk about the streets as if the place belonged to them; it is not unusual even for such a man to endeavor to get the best personal terms with his hunter. All that is necessary is that the debtor should take in a sufficient stock of commodities, so that during the day-time he may have every opening in the house barred.

Frequently it is the case that some of these slippery customers are not so well versed in the law as they imagine. Take the case of a man who had been chased by the debt-collectors for many months. Occasionally they had seen him in the streets during the day-time, but he had managed to escape by taking to his heels, or by the old trick of rushing into a public house by one door and out by another.

One day, however, the man was caught, and a warrant served upon him. He made a very plausible excuse of obtaining the money from a friend. The man with the warrant waited until he was tired outside the door of the house into which the debtor went, and then found that he had been tricked again.

This debtor turned out of is home next Sunday as usual, and coolly walked past an officer who held a warrant when, to his intense surprise, he was arrested immediately. The debtor, with all his scheming, was not aware of the fact that once having been arrested he could be re-arrested at any time, even on Sunday. He paid for his ignorance by going to prison.

In a large number of cases a coolly worded letter to the debtor will affect the desired purpose, bringing an early remittance; the debtor realizes that his matter is now no longer in the hands of a tradesman who has a business to look after, but is in the hands of a man who intends making him pay, even through the nose. Usually in such cases, the debtor sends a long-winded letter, explaining the cause of his non-payment, and expressing surprise that such steps have been taken. In ninety-nine cases out of a hundred the excuse is the same—a faulty memory.

One Good In Flimsy Houses.

The Japanese have an easier time than their confreres in Europe. Crime in the land of the chrysanthemum is almost limited to theft and cases of bodily harm resulting from street brawls. It is next to impossible, the chief of the Tokio police says, for a murder to be committed without some one hearing of it at the moment. This is due to the fact that the houses are composed of paper and bamboo, so any noise in a house occasioned by robbers or assassins would not fail to attract the attention of neighbors.—Dundee Advertiser.

Gross Misrepresentation.

"Several of my friends have told me," roared the caller, a portly, paunchy individual with a fiery nose, "that your paper the other day spoke of me as 'the monumental demagogue of the age'."

"Whoever told you that," vociferated the editor, quivering with indignation, "uttered an infamous falsehood. We spoke of you as the monumental demagogue of the ages!"

The Finishing Touches.

"The famous epitaph placed on the monument over her husband's grave by a woman up in Maine, 'Rest in peace until I join you,' has almost a duplicate in a sign on the door of a doctor's office in a downtown office building," says George A. Schneider, "This sign reads, 'Do not absolutely abandon hope until you have seen me'."

New Use for Films.

Many English cinematograph firms are selling their old films to boot manufacturers or leather dressers, who treat the celluloid by chemical process and use it for making the gloss on patent leather boots and shoes.

A Possibility.

"Why did the boy stay on the burning deck, Pa?"

"I don't know unless he was wearing his mother's hobble skirt and couldn't move."

Wise Boy.

"He kissed me when I couldn't help myself."

"How sof"

"I was putting on my hat."

THE CUCUMBER.

One Way to Dress It and a Royal Way to Grow It.

If ever an anthology of the foods of the earth comes to be written quite an entertaining chapter could be made out of the cucumber. And some of the extracts would provide material for much mental exercise to decide whether they are humorous or serious. For example, what did the Greek poet mean when he said of a certain woman:

She was no
More tender than a cucumber?

Only one meaning would have been taken from that equivocal statement by that famous doctor who used to declare that the only way to dress a cucumber is to cut it into very thin slices, sprinkle it with the finest of oil, pepper it plentifully, cover it with vinegar—and then throw it out of the window! On the other hand, Thackeray tells how he "had delicate cucumbers stuffed with forcemeat," while Dickens refers to "salmon, lamb, peas, innocent young potatoes, a cool salad, sliced cucumber, a tender duckling—all there!" Both novelists were evidently men after the heart of the Emperor Tiberius, who was never without cucumbers and had frames made upon wheels, by means of which the growing cucumbers could be moved about and exposed to the full heat of the sun, while in winter they were withdrawn and placed under the protection of frames glazed with mirror stone.

Yet two or three centuries ago the vegetable was looked at suspiciously as cold and treacherous.—London Standard.

FEAR OF LIGHTNING.

It Is Hardly Justified by the Number of Deaths It Causes.

Why are so many people, brave under all other circumstances, so deathly afraid of thunder and lightning?

It is not because lightning is so dangerous, for it isn't half so dangerous as going out of the house on an icy morning, walking down the cellar stairs or a hundred other things we do every day without a thought of personal harm. More people are killed each year by falling building material, more die from fright, than are killed by lightning. The census bureau shows only 169 people killed by lightning in this entire country during a given year, and only thirty of these people were killed in the cities. Heat and the sun killed 703 during the same year, 203 died from cold and freezing and 4,395 were drowned.

But you will find it quite a waste of time during a thunderstorm to try to ease the fears of a person who is afraid by telling him or her that the chances of being killed by lightning are less than two in a million; they will remain just as frightened for all this mortuary knowledge. And after the storm has passed and nerves are steadied the woman who was so frightened a few minutes before will start getting supper on the gas stove, smiling through her tears that the danger has all passed and only laughing if you venture the remark that twice as many people are killed by gas stoves as by lightning.—Country Life in America.

Learned His Own Value.

A husband and wife combination in vaudeville, the husband as the feeder and the wife as the real attraction, worked for Lew Fields in one of his summer shows. The two were very popular and got much newspaper space; also they had $1,000 a week. One day the husband, puffed up by what the newspapers said about the singing of his wife, went in to see Fields.

"Mr. Fields," he said, "it is $1,200 a week from now on for us or we quit right here."

"Twelve hundred, eh?" Fields asked, with interest.

"Yes, sir, $1,200 a week or we quit and go out on the big time in the Morris circuit."

"Well, sonny," said Field, "I think an awful lot of your wife's work, but I don't think she is worth $1,175 a week to me."—Saturday Evening Post.

Theory and Practice.

Here is a good story from the collection of a German school inspector. The pupils were being examined on the subject of personal hygiene. A boy was asked, "What have you to do in order to keep your teeth sound and white?" "Clean them," was the prompt reply. "When ought you to clean them?" "Morning, noon and night." "What are they to be cleaned with?" "With a toothbrush." "Very good. Have you a toothbrush?" "No, sir." "Has your father a toothbrush?" "No, sir. "Has your mother a toothbrush?" "No, sir." "But how do you know about the use of toothbrushes?" "We eel them, sir."

Character In Handwriting.

I showed a professor of caligraphy a letter I had received. He took a very unfavorable view of the handwriting. It was the handwriting, he told me, of a man without learning, without genius, without feeling. "And, now, sir," I said, "will you look at the signature?" The letter was written by Lord Macaulay.—Arnold's "Three Cornered Essays."

A Canine Reason.

She on the beach at Atlantic City)—I wonder why that dog tried to bite me just now. He—The intelligent animal heard me call you a little witch, and he probably thought you were a sandwich.—Baltimore American.

The man who can be nothing but serious or nothing but merry is but half a man.—Hunt.

The Land of Used to Be.

DON'T you kinder get to dreamin'
When you hear somebody say
That in fus' a few more hours
It will be Thanksgivin' day?
Don't you kinder go a-sailin'
Back through tollful years an' see
All your frien's an' your relations
In the Land of Used to Be?

Don't you kinder like to linger
In that dream an' look around?
Don't you kinder like to wander
Over that beloved ground?
There's the house, a-settin' solemn
On the hill top—an' the tree!
Same old tree we used to swing on
In the Land of Used to Be!

Don't you see the turkey gobbler
Makin' fer you once again?
Same old feller used to chase you
Helter skelter down the lane!
An' there's mother—dear old mother!—
Callin' loud, "Come in to tea!"
Ain't it peaceful-like an' nat'ral
In the Land of Used to Be?

"DON'T YOU SEE THE TURKEY GOBBLER?"

There's that spruce young colt a-prancin'
Like the place was all his own,
An' there's Rover, settin' gawkin'
An' a-growlin' at a bone!
There's the good old pump, an' there's
the—
"All right, mother! Here we be!"
Kinder hate to keep 'em waitin'
In the Land of Used to Be!

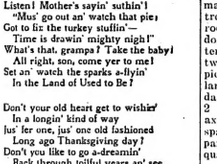
Don't you see 'em settin' smilin'
At the table, an' hear Sis
Sayin' ('cause it was her bakin')
"Ever taste sich bread as this?"
Don't you hear the baby crowin',
Settin' on his grampa's knee?
Don't you hear the jolly laughter
In the Land of Used to Be?

"GOT TO FIX THE TURKEY STUFFIN'."

Listen! Mother's sayin' suthin'!
"Mus' go out an' watch that pie;
Got to liz the turkey stuffin'—
Time is flowin' mighty nigh!"
What's that, grampa? Take the baby!
All right, son, come yer to me!
Set an' watch the sparks a-flyin'
In the Land of Used to Be!

Don't your old heart get to wishin'
In a longin' kind of way
Jus' fer one, jus' one old fashioned
Long ago Thanksgiving day?
Don't you like to go a-dreamin'
Back through tollful years an' see
All them dear old frien's—an' mother—
In the Land of Used to Be?

—Baltimore American.



Mark Twain's Turkey.

When Mark Twain was editor of a Nevada newspaper somebody sent him a turkey with no card attached. The editor ate the bird. Next day he received a letter asking: "Can you tell us what that turkey died of? There's a bet on about it."

Cause For Thanks.

Billy's got the colic. Jane's an awful mess—she spilled the brimming gravy boat upon her Sunday dress. Jimmy came from football with plasters on his head. Bess gave our ice cream to the cat—of course, she went to bed. Father talked all through the meal of aphthous fever milk, while Olive pestered Uncle Jim for a raincoat made of silk. I tore my brand new trousers in a fight with Butch McGlynn, and Pete the cop just told my pop he'd like to run me in. When father said, "Well, Mary, what thanks will we give, dear?" Ma said, "Give thanks. Thanks giving comes only once a year."

Fifteen Hundred Mixed Marriages

Toronto, Jan. 23.—The Protestant ministers of the city rejoice to-day that the Dominion government is taking some action in regard to dealing with the "Ne Temere" decree and mixed marriages in Canada.

"I suppose the government is in a box and don't know what to do," stated Rev. Dr. R. P. MacKay, moderator of the Presbyterian general assembly, this afternoon.

"The thing is so outrageous that it should not be allowed to remain as it is. If there is any doubt as to the law, it is a court case and then it is for the government to correct the abuse.

"The matter is the more serious because the number of mixed marriages is increasing. It is reported that over 1,500 marriages were solemnized in Ontario during the past year."

"I rejoice that the government proposes to do something," stated Rev. Dr. T. Albert Moore, secretary of the Method.st general conference. "Whatever plan is followed, I hope the result is definite and positive."

$5,000 in Prizes Free

Great Popular Contest, Which Will Instruct, Interest and Amuse

That progressive and popular champion of the people's rights, The Farmers' Weekly Tribune, Winnipeg, is inaugurating a Great Booklovers' Contest for the instruction, interest and amusement of the boys, girls and adults, during the long winter evenings. Hundreds of prizes, aggregating in value nearly $5,000, are to be GIVEN AWAY ABSOLUTELY FREE. No soliciting—no subscribing—no canvassing are involved. It will be difficult for anyone who exercises due care to miss a prize.

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FRIDAY, FEB. 2, 1912

Nine Months' Credit Sale

Having received instructions from Mr. Ole Dahl, I will sell at his farm, on South-East Qr. of Sec. 28, Tp. 37, Rge. 3, W. 5, 7 miles South West of Evarts, 12 miles North-West of Markerville, and 4 miles North-East of New Hill Post Office, the following property:

HORSES: Bay mare, 7 years old, 1400 lbs., in foal; bay mare, 8 years old, 1200 lbs., in foal; grey mare, 9 years old, 1000 lbs., in foal; pinto pony, 6 years old, 900 lbs.; bay gelding, two years old; yearling colt; spring colt, mare; black mare, 6 years old; sorrel mare, 6 years old; 1 brood sow.

MACHINERY: Heavy farm wagon; light nice covered surrey; 2 sets of bob sleighs; cutter; disc harrow; breaking plow; Deering mower and rake; hay rack; four-horse evener, two-horse evener, pair of shafts, etc.

HARNESS: Set of heavy work harness; double set of driving harness; 2 saddles; 2 pairs horse blankets, and one pair of feed bags.

FEED: 10 tons of good hay; 5 stacks of good sheaf oats; 10 bushels of potatoes.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS: High grade organ, Monarch malleable steel range, marble top dresser, 2 good plain dressers, 2 extension tables, work table, kitchen cabinet, bookcase, writing table, coal and wood heater, Wheeler & Wilson sewing machine, 4 iron beds, springs and mattresses; oak bed, spring and mattresses; 14 dining-room chairs, two rocking chairs, couch, two new doors, 12-ga. shot gun, .22 Winchester rifle, 8-day clock, small clock, two looking glasses, a lot of nice pictures and picture frames, hanging lamp, 4 glass lamps, two lanterns, dash board lantern, 2 log chains, 2 cross-cut saws, 3 buck saws, 5 axes, forks of all kinds, grub hoe, spades and shovels, pots, kettles, pans, bearskin coat, sheep-lined coat, quantity of good bedclothes, 30 tame rabbits, grindstone, 7 bunches of shingles, one barrel, 3 tubs, curtain stretcher, 3 doz. glass shakers, 4 earthen jars, food grinder, 3 creamers, 3 hand saws, two squares, two levels, plane, brace and bits, 4 cow chains, string of bells, hay knife, wire stretcher, etc.

Terms: All sums of $20 and under, cash; on all sums over $20 a credit of nine months will be given, purchaser giving a joint bankable note bearing 8 per cent. interest from date of sale, or 5 per cent. off for cash.

Mr. Ole Dahl is leaving for Washington, and this is a good clean closing out sale without reserve.

The farm will also be offered for sale at the same time at a low reserve bid.

There will be a dance after the sale. Come every lady and stay for the dance and have a good time.

Lunch at 11 o'clock. Sale at 12 o'clock.

OLE DAHL, Prop. G. N. WELSH, Auctioneer.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6th, 1912.

Nine Months' Credit Sale

Having received instructions from Evans Bros., I will sell at their place, N.E. Quarter of Sec. 32-39-1, ¼ miles east and ½ miles north of Leslieville, 10 miles North-West of Eckville, or 2 miles due north of the old Shepherd's Place, on the Blueberry, the following property, viz:

HORSES: Bay pony gelding, 900 lbs., 8 years; roan pony mare, 900 lbs., 8 years; bay gelding, 1100 lbs., 8 years; bay gelding, 1400 lbs., 10 years.

CATTLE: 3 cows; 2 heifers, coming three years old; 2 heifers, coming two years old; 4 heifers, coming one year old; 1 yearling bull, Shorthorn; 1 two-year-old bull, Shorthorn; 1 eight-year-old bull, Shorthorn; 1 yoke oxen, with harness.

PIGS: Brood sow; 8 stock hogs, 4 months old.

POULTRY: A few dozen hens; a few turkeys.

HARNESS: Set 1¼ inch harness; set new carriage harness; single buggy harness.

MACHINERY: Chatham wagon, double box; Manton hack, with top; top buggy; gang plow, 12 inch; Champion binder; corn cultivator; Deering mower, 6 ft. cut; Deering hay rake, 12 ft.; De Laval separator; grindstone; carpenters' tools.

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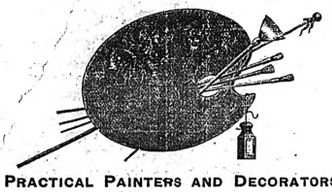

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Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

ANNUAL SCARE.

WE had our scare for nothing;
The blow refused to drop.
Experts inform us we will have
A bully, bumper crop.
July alarmists told us
A blighting drought had hit
All growing vegetation
And scared us to a fit.

There was no use in talking,
There wasn't any wheat,
The corn would be a failure,
And then what would we eat?
And everything was blasted
They said, with faces grim.
Late rains might save some patches,
But picking would be slim.

But now how do we find it
Since full reports are made?
We'll have enough for eating
And for the export trade.
Just shy a few potatoes,
But in the other lines
We will have more than plenty,
According to the signs.

And thus it always happens.
The fearful raise a din
Predicting woe and famine
Before returns are in.
But somehow or another
The average every year
Keeps twostep with consumption,
And that's how man is here.

And Hard to Do at That.

"Jones is a jolly fellow."

"Has to be."

"Why?"

"Makes his living jollying people."

Needs Them.

"Binks is a polite little fellow, isn't he?"

"Yes; he treats all the neighbors very courteously."

"Fine fellow."

"I don't know about that."

"Why, he seems so."

"Yes, he has to make a bluff at being all right, for he needs us to go on his bull every little while."

Strange.

"The way of the transgressor is hard."

"Is it?"

"Yes, rocky."

"I wonder if that's so."

"Why?"

"Because I have heard of lots of them being mired."

Explained.

"Pa."

"Yes?"

"Why do people keep a skeleton in the closet?"

"I suppose it is because they can't afford the services of an undertaker."

Defined.

"What's a cynic?"

"A fellow who has been trying to get what isn't coming to him."

"So?"

"And then gets what is coming to him."

Harmonious.

"She always does as she pleases."

"Really?"

"Yes."

"And how about her husband?"

"Oh, he does as she pleases too."

He Was On.

"Who's next?" said the faker.

"I am," said the country lad as he slipped away.

Great is the Fall.

The pitcher is a wonder
Until he finds the club
Held by the opposition team,
And then he is a dub.

PERT PARAGRAPHS.

Perhaps the reason why some persons fail to take time by the forelock is because their copy of time is bald-headed.

—

When we give people the benefit of the doubt it is doubtful if they get much benefit from it.

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Even a jokesmith finds a rich mother-in-law a handy thing to have about the house.

—

It's not easy to make the matron of a child's home believe that there is any immediate danger of race suicide.

—

The man who makes a business of fishing for suckers sometimes gets a jolt when he catches a bullhead.

—

A girl will pardon a man who owns a motorcar almost any social error except trying to swallow his knife in the dining room.

—

Of all the useless ways of spending time, giving advice to an egotistical man is the most futile.

—

A strong will is a valuable asset. It will enable one to get rid of a book agent without putting up the price.

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You may have the time of your life nibbling the bait of the promoter, but be careful you don't swallow the hook.

—

Lots of people seize opportunities only to find them red hot.

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CONSTRUCTING A STORY,

A Young Man and a Young Woman Collaborate.

By F. A. MITCHEL.

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There were green hills about us, and the sky was very blue. Occasional melodious pipings of birds and in a distant field the rattle of a mowing machine made a strange contrast of sounds.

"I should think you story writers," said Kitty to me as we strolled, "would find inspiration in such surroundings as these. The air up here in these hills is so bracing, the sunlight so life giving, everything so conducive to stir the faculties necessary to composition."

"I find strong tea a better bracer," I replied.

"Oh, dear! How can you get any romance out of tea? If I could write I should wish for no better stimulant than this lovely scene."

"How do you know you can't write?"

"I never tried, but I'm sure I can't."

"Suppose we lay out a plan for a story right here where you think you

"TELL ME ABOUT THE GIRL."

can draw such inspiration. We'll do it together."

"Let it be one of everyday life."

"Well, then, we'll have it that a young man sees a girl at the opera. He is struck with her and looks at her so steadily that she is impelled to turn her gaze upon him. She is equally struck with him. A love affair results."

"Simple, isn't it?"

"Very. But we'll get them into a great many pickles before they are married. Perhaps they'll never survive them."

"Go on with your story. The young man looks at the girl at the opera. How do you know—I mean how does he know—that she is struck with him?"

"He doesn't, but we, who are telling the story, know all about it. We can do anything we like with them."

"It seems to me that he must be very conceited to assume that she is struck with him."

"I just told you that this assumption is ours, not his at all."

"Well, go on. But I know he felt confident that she was struck with him all the same."

"He watches for her when she leaves the opera and sees her handed by a handsome young man into a carriage. Now we must have something by which to designate these people. The young man—the hero"—

"Is he a hero?"

"Well, the 'leading gentleman,' as they say in plays. He is Mr. A.; the girl is Miss B.; the man who hands her into the carriage—he's to be the villain—is Mr. C."

"The villain! Is he the villain?"

"Yes; we're going to make a villain of him."

"Oh, well, if you're determined to attribute such things to him I suppose it's all right, but it won't be true to life."

"Aren't there villains in real life?"

"I suppose so, but in this case"—

"Well, in this case?"

"I don't consider that there's any villainy about it. Mr.—what's his name?"

"Mr. C."

"Mr. C. is a very gentlemanly"—

"But wait a bit. Mr. C. is not formed yet."

"I thought you said he was a villain!"

"What I mean is that Mr. C. being an imaginary person"—

"How can he be imaginary when he handed the girl into a carriage?"

"I fear you have your mind fixed on a real person who handed a real girl into a real carriage."

"Oh, go on! Tell me about the girl. Are you going to make a villain of her too?"

"By no means. She's to be the heroine."

"What does she do that's heroic?"

"She may not turn out a heroine. This is to be a realistic story, you know. If she is fooled by Mr. C. and doesn't really care for Mr. A. she may not exhibit the conditions of the story. You see, characters often run away with the authors who create them and do just as they like in spite of him."

"I see. You may depend upon it—this Miss B. will fall in love with just whom she pleases. Maybe she won't fall in love with either of them."

"I fear collaboration with you will prove very difficult. If you're going to run away with the heroine, perhaps I shall have something to say about the hero. I'm not bound to make him marry Miss B. He may be very much disappointed in her."

"And she may be very much disappointed in him."

"This won't do. We're not getting on at all. We're going to construct a realistic story, but we don't wish it to be so realistic that the collaborators will quarrel over the characters and whether they are to be good or bad, lovable or unlovable. Let us go on to where Mr. A. meets Miss B. a second time. He next sees her dancing with Mr. C. at Mrs. Schermerhorn's ball."

"I thought it was at Mrs. Van Vechten's."

"We'll call her Mrs. Van Vechten if you like. The name doesn't signify. Mr. A. secures an introduction to Miss B. and dances with her twice when one of his friends says to him, 'You needn't waste your time on that girl; she's engaged to C.'"

"Well, I declare! Who took it upon himself to say that?"

"One we'll call Mr. D."

"I think you'd better make him the villain, going around saying things that are not true."

"You don't seem to understand the part of the villain in a story. Mr. D. is only a dummy, one of those persons thrown into the story to enable the author to say things instead of saying them himself. Mr. C., who is supposed to have considerable influence with the heroine—an influence not divulged till the end of the story—is the villain or, in other words, a foil for Mr. A. He is like a knight in the game of chess. Mr. D. is only a pawn."

"Oh, I think these skeletons of stories are like the skeletons of people—horrid. If you authors write stories that way I don't wonder many of them are so uninteresting. Can't you get on to something pleasant?"

"Well, we'll pass to the third meeting. Shall we have it at the seashore?"

"No."

"In the mountains?"

"No."

"Suppose we have them meet among these hills. We'll begin that chapter by having Mr. A. and Miss B. strolling just as we are, listening to that mowing machine down yonder?—

"No; to the birds."

"Very well, to the birds. They came together at the same hotel by coincidence."

"By coincidence?"

"Yes. Why not?"

"Oh, nothing. I thought he said he knew she was here and came here on purpose to meet her."

"Did he say that?"

"Of course he did."

"That's better for a real life than an imaginary story. In the latter accidental meetings add to the interest. They're less prosaic."

"Well, what next?"

"The first step for him is to find out what are her relations to Mr. C."

"It seems to me that he's bothering himself altogether too much about Mr. C."

"It makes the story more interesting."

"But it's very disagreeable to her to have her name connected with a man she cares nothing about."

"Are you sure she acted all the while as if she cared nothing about C.?"

"Maybe. If she did it only makes the story more interesting, you know."

"Not to A."

"But he's only an imaginary character. He doesn't feel anything. What does he do next?"

"We now come to the end of the story. A. always supposed that if he got C. out of the way he would have nothing to do but propose to the heroine to be accepted. Lovers always feel that way. But C. having been eliminated, A., arriving at the declaration point, is suddenly seized with stage fright."

"Are they always that way?"

"Well, A. is a very sensitive man, you know, and conscious of his own imperfections. Miss B. is a thousand times too good for him, and he knows it."

"I wouldn't put that in. It's overdrawn."

"Well, as I said, A., even if he is an imaginary character, feels a great deal. He remembers the first time he saw you, Miss B., at the opera, then his delight at seeing you again at Miss Van Vechten's ball, and he confesses he did know you were here and came here to see you. He also admits that he has suffered dreadfully at seeing another so devoted to you, fearing that you were listening to that other's flattering words. He further admits that he invited you to take this walk that he might tell you that he loves you and ask you to be his wife."

There was a silence, which she broke.

"Is this a real or an imaginary story?"

"It is real. It is burned into my heart. I feel it coursing in my blood. It is in my brain, and without the one word I covet it will be more than a story. It will be a tragedy."

I felt her hand against mine. I grasped it, knew that I had received the answer necessary to complete my happiness.

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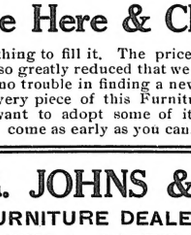

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

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Now is the time to take a course in the Red Deer Business College, post office block.

C. Thompson, who spent a pleasant time in Ontario visiting friends, is back to work again.

Mr. Reid's lecture Monday evening in the Presbyterian church was well attended, and was very interesting and instructive.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Hospital Aid will be held on Tuesday next, Feb. 6th, at 3.30 o'clock, at the residence of Mrs. H. L. Gaetz.

A good programme is being prepared for the concert in the Oddfellows' Hall, Thursday evening, Feb. 15th, under the auspices of St. Luke's Church.

The Alberta Grain Co. have closed down their elevator, and their local manager, J. H. Wark, has gone to Edmonton, where he will still continue with the company.

A farmer complained to us the other day that some one in town stole his dog. He intends making it hot for the party who perpetuated the outrage if he can find him.

There will be a tea cent tea and D'Oyley sale, under the auspices of the Baptist Ladies' Aid, on Friday, evening, Feb. 2nd, at the residence of Mrs. Good, from 3 to 6 o'clock and from 7 to 10. There will be a programme in the evening.

A Finlander, named Jacob Eumpu, was rather seriously burnt at the Red Deer brick yard on Monday. He was lighting a fire with some gasoline, when he let some fall on his feet. It ignited and set fire to his clothing and burnt him severely. He was removed to the Red Deer hospital.

Constable Gillies arrested a man at the C.P.R. depot on Thursday for obtaining money under false pretenses. He claimed that he was a travelling fireman on the C.P.R. and borrowed money from several of the firemen. Communications were made with Calgary and it was found that he was wanted in Calgary for forgery.

Next Sunday evening at the Methodist Church the pastor, Rev. R. Pearson, will deliver an address on the subject of Church Union. This subject is a live issue at the present time as preparations are now being made for the taking of the vote or the amalgamation of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational Churches.

Mr. A. C. Hardenburg will deliver an address at the Men's Brotherhood at the Methodist Church, next Sunday afternoon, on the subject "What is Socialism?" Mr. Hardenburg is a close student of Socialism, and will give an interesting address. An opportunity will be given to ask questions. Meeting begins at 3.45. All men invited.

A man named Elbi Wolaver was admitted to the Red Deer hospital yesterday morning, suffering from a broken wrist. He was coupling a sleigh to a loghauler in the Great West Lumber Company's camp, west of Olds, when the loghauler backed and jammed his wrist between the couplings, breaking it very badly. He is being attended by Dr. Gray.

Small boys are accustomed to coast down the hills leading into town, sometimes at the risk of their lives. The other day a farmer barely had time to turn aside when a sleigh load shot past him into the semi-darkness and passed on into the night. If they had come in contact with the team they would have been tramped under foot or smashed up against the front of the sleigh and been ground to pieces under the runners. The result might have been terrible. Several very narrow escapes have taken place, and it is up to the town to prevent coasting on the public highway.

OBITUARY NOTICES.

Miss M. O. Millar, elder sister of Miss Millar of the teaching staff, died very suddenly at her parent's home in Wetaskiwin Saturday last. Deceased came to Red Deer last fall and took a position with Robertson & Russell, barristers, as stenographer, but was obliged to give up her position owing to a bad cold. She grew worse, and it is supposed her heart became affected. Miss Millar went up to Wetaskiwin Thursday and was there when her sister died. Mrs. Keith, Mrs. Dempsey, Miss Summerby and Miss Peterson went up to the funeral on Monday. Deceased, although only in Red Deer a short time, made many friends, who will regret very much to hear of her sad death, and Miss Millar has the sympathy of all in her sorrow.

The funeral took place to Red Deer cemetery on Jan. 24th of Edmund Leonard Pixley, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pixley of Hill End. The Rev. Mr. Wheeler officiated. Deceased, who was aged one year, one month and sixteen days, died from infantile paralysis.

The death took place at Red Deer Memorial Hospital of Mrs. Ezilba Langevin, wife of Mr. Oliver Langevin of Hill End. Deceased was aged twenty-eight years and eight months, and had undergone an operation. She was a native of Quebec, and leaves two children, one a baby three months old.

Remember "Our Boys" at the Lyric Theatre, Feb. 19th and 20th.

Remember "Our Boys" by local amateurs at the Lyric.

A TRUST CO.

Mr. Manning has met with great success in his endeavor to establish a trust company in Edmonton, having received assurance in a few weeks of support to the extent of a quarter of a million dollars among the best men of the province. Mr. Manning assured the News that he had not met a single adverse criticism of the idea in his canvass.

POPLAR RIDGE.

The C.N.R. have surveyed about thirty building lots where the station will be built, on N.W. quarter of section 10.

H. L. Austin is finishing threshing in the neighborhood this week.

The church board met Saturday in the school house to plan out the work for the coming year.

Mr. Munro preached on Sunday.

There is talk of having a saw mill in the neighborhood. Help push it along; get together and talk it up at once.

Those who would like their mail delivered three times a week by mail carrier Foster for one dollar a year, may leave their names with him and the matter will be considered.

Clarence Fuller, of Delburne, was visiting old friends here last week.

Eckville Notes

N. N. Bently returned from a business trip to Winnipeg this week.

Steel is laid to the Medicine river already. Here it will be delayed until the bridge is completed.

A. Sims was through here on his way to Red Deer for freight for King & Mitchell at Lesliéville.

Mrs. Wilson made a business trip to Lacombe Tuesday.

R. Stopson took a load of oats to the Rocky Mountain House this week.

Pitcox News

S. Edgar has purchased a 7 horse power gasoline engine, and is very busy sawing wood. He is also doing chopping every Friday and Saturday.

J. E. Virtue was elected Councillor again for township 38-3, W. 5. He was also elected Secretary-Treasurer for Daisy Nook school district. We are looking forward to something doing in 1912.

The trail is simply black with traffic these days through here, as C.P.R. and C.N.R. freighters are using this road to the Mountain House. Sleighing is good, and it cuts off five miles of the journey. They can also depend on good stopping places, Mr. Bell's barn is full daily, also Mr. Edgar's but still we find them room. Let 'em all come.

What about Pitcox as a health resort? E. Mansell has been ordered out here from the coast for his health, and is staying at Mrs. Leisk's. He finds the beautiful sunshine beneficial to him, and we are pleased to hear he is much improved in health.

Divine service was held at the house of Mr. Macdonnell on Sunday last, the Rev. E. G. Heaven taking the service.

W. Huskins came out from Red Deer with a sleigh load of Singer sewing machines last week. He is stocking them at his home, 2 miles west of here, also at Mr. Macdonnell's store. They can be got for cash or on easy terms from both places.

Mrs. Walter Maki, two miles south of here, has been dangerously ill, but we are glad to hear she is much better. The boys of Evarts held a dance there last week and gave the proceeds towards getting a good doctor for her.

C. Wells is getting a gasoline engine, so we shall be well accommodated now, and the neighbors south will appreciate it. We hope life is too short for buck-sawing.

PURSE LOST.

Lost, on Sunday night, Jan. 21st, a purse, containing a sum of money. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at News Office. Jan 30, 1w1.

WANTED.

Cook and housekeeper. Liberal terms. Apply Box X, The News. Jan. 30.

WANTED.

By the Council, village of North Red Deer, a suitable man to act as secretary-treasurer, policeman and foreman of village. Apply stating salary wanted. Applications received until February 9th, 1912.

A. McCASKILL,
Jan. 30, 2w. Sec'y.-Treas.

WANTED.

All kinds of live poultry—chickens, turkeys, ducks and geese; also fresh eggs and butter. Highest prices paid.—HEWSON & HEWSON, Poulterers and Produce Dealers, 25 Lineham Blk., Calgary. Phone 3645. Jan. 30.

KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL.

Miss Ethel Dolman, who arrived recently from England, wishes to intimate to the general public that she has opened a kindergarten class in the Post Office Block. Children from four years of age welcome.

Individual music and singing lessons, as well as French, will also be given by Miss Dolman during her spare hours. Hours from 10 to 12 and 2 to 4. Room 11, or address Box 394, Red Deer.

$100.00 REWARD.

Stolen from the barn of the undersigned, Sunday night, Jan. 21st, five miles west of Penhold, a team of geldings, one a bay, weighing about 1300 lbs., about ten years old, stamped 3 on left front hoof, and with a bad sore shoulder on the left side, slightly lame. The other is a steel gray, about same weight, eight years old, has sore left front foot. A reward of $100 offered for information leading to recovery of animals.

D. F. McARTHUR,
Red Deer P.O., Jan. 26. 3w1.

HAY FOR SALE.

Five stacks of first class timothy hay for sale in the stack. There will be about 25 or 30 tons, more or less. For further particulars apply to JOHN N. BREMNER, Valley Centre, nine miles east of Red Deer. Jan. 30, 3w1.

GREEN FEED FOR SALE.

A quantity of first class green oats for sale for feed, in the sheaf; will be sold in the field or will deliver to parties in town. Apply to C. EYER, Red Deer P.O Jan. 30, 1w1.

FARM FOR SALE.

Quarter section for sale, 4 miles from Penhold; adjoins river. Thirty acres seeded down. Good spring on it. Fenced with two wires. To go at $10 per acre. Excellent pasture. Apply at News Office. Jan 24.

LOST CATTLE.

Two year old heifer, color red, with white hind feet, branded anchor, split key, with bar underneath, on left shoulder, wattle on left jaw. Also Ayrshire cow, brush off tail, branded W, with bar underneath, on neck.—JAMES MARLES, Sec. 12, Tp. 37, Rge. 26. Red Deer, Jan. 19, 3w1.

NOTICE.

A stallion was left at my feed barn, 315 Gaetz Avenue South, on Jan. 8th by a son of A. Everall, and this is to notify the owner of said stallion to call for same and pay expenses. The horse needs exercise and should be attended to at once.

GEO. CHAPMAN.
Red Deer, Jan. 30, 3w.

TENDERS FOR COAL AND WOOD FOR BALMORAL S.D. 292.

10 tons coal, to be put in the basement of the school building. 15 cords 18-inch wood, to be split and corded in shed. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Terders to be in by the 3rd day of February, 1912.—S. D. McCONNELL, Secretary, Box 373, Red Deer. Red Deer, Jan. 22, 2w.

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